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POLITICAL QUARTERS IN Paris have received with due respect the peace initiative of Belgium and the Netherlands, but express the unanimous opinion that acceptance at present is impossible. They point out that the best answer is provided by Lord Halifax's speech.

France and Britain are fighting against German methods in international relations, and peace is impossible till the cause of violations of international law are removed. Official quarters refuse to comment,

but indicate that contract has already been established between London and Paris for determining the common attitude.

No direct comment whatever is yet forthcoming from German circles. —Havas.

**PRECISE GERMAN
THREATS**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

Political quarters in Brussels are rather bewildered by the peace appeal of Queen Wilhemina and King Leopold, and are unable to explain the reason for it.

It came as a complete surprise, as witness an official denial earlier in the day that a mediation offer was intended.

Several well-informed personages suggest that the new German threats to neutrals, especially to Belgium and Holland, have compelled the two countries to reinforce their moral position on the eve of possible aggression.

Informed quarters do not see the possibility of any success attending the gesture.

Belgian quarters, meanwhile, are seriously concerned at the possibility of Germany enforcing certain precise threats which they are reported recently to have transmitted to several neutral States. —Havas.

**NAZI SHOCK
TROOPS**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

The German shock-troops now concentrating on the Netherland frontier are under the command of General Blaskowitz, who commanded on the Warsaw front.

German sources explain the concentration by the alleged impossibility of concentration on the Siegfried Line itself, where, they say, space is lacking. —Havas.

**LINER
ESCAPES
SUBMARINE**

New York, To-day.

The Mackay Radio reports that the 12,333-ton British steamer Mataroa has wirelessed that she was chased by a submarine in the Atlantic.

The U-boat later disappeared or submerged.

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**CZECHS ON
VERGE
OF FAMINE**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.

The several hardships of the populations of Bohemia and Moravia are described by a reliable witness who has just arrived from the Protectorate.

He declares that these formerly prosperous provinces of Czechoslovakia are now on the verge of famine.

The German economic plan re-

**HITLER
CAUTION
RIDDLE**

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Expert observers are puzzled by German military inactivity.

It is pointed out that Hitler has been building the German Army as a powerful offensive weapon, destined to achieve a smashing quick decision.

Hitler, it is felt, must be perfectly aware that time is working against him, more especially since the opening of the war material market of the United States to the Allies.

Political quarters are beginning to wonder whether he intends to keep on the defensive, tiring the Allies and hoping to create a movement for peace in Allied and neutral countries.

GERMAN "NERVE" WAR

Doubtless, also, he realises the utter uselessness of a mass winter operation, and plans to use the next few months for a diplomatic offensive in Central and Eastern Europe.

Observers ridicule reports spread by German sources according to which Hitler is awaiting the manufacture of an especially dreadful engine of war. —Havas.

quires them to supply the Reich with all available manufactured goods and foodstuffs.

They are practically without meat, bread, sugar, coal and gasoline, which have been requisitioned for military needs.

Farmers are forbidden to slaughter cattle and pigs, while 90,000 natives of the Czech provinces are reported to have been transplanted to Germany as hostages guaranteeing the good behaviour of the population of the Protectorate. —Havas.

**CLOSE-UP
OF AIR
COMBAT**

London, To-day.

R.A.F. officers engaged in combats over the North Sea gave graphic details of the clashes.

In one case, so close was the British attack to a Heinkel 115 bomber that the British and German aircraft passed within a yard of each other.

When first sighted, the Heinkel was flying at right angles to the British machine.

The German headed south but was overtaken at a height of 200 feet.

The enemy rear gunner opened fire with tracer bullets, which passed under the British aircraft, whose gunner replied. Range was quickly closed and the British pilot reports that two good bursts appeared to get home.

IN THE CLOUDS

The Heinkel then pulled up into the clouds, but was pursued and received another burst of fire at close quarters.

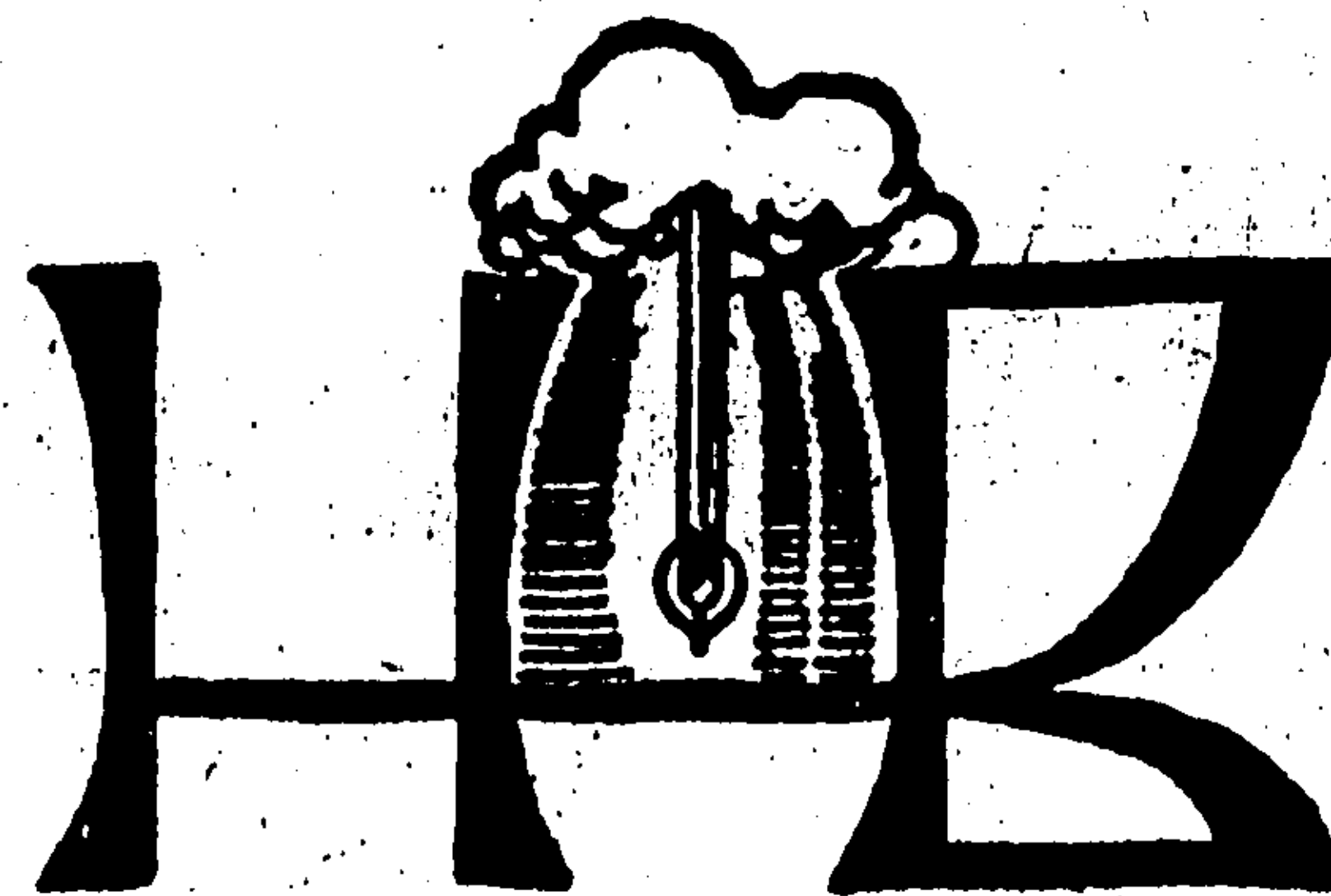
The British pilot said: The enemy climbed still higher into the clouds and as he did so we cut in front and under and let off one more burst at very short range.

The Heinkel dived as we passed in front and only a few feet separated us."

The German plane was not seen again and the British machine resumed its patrol.

In the second combat, the German turned tail after some exciting aerobatics, in which machine-guns were in a constant rattle and he seemed to be hit also before gaining concealment in a cloud. —Reuter.

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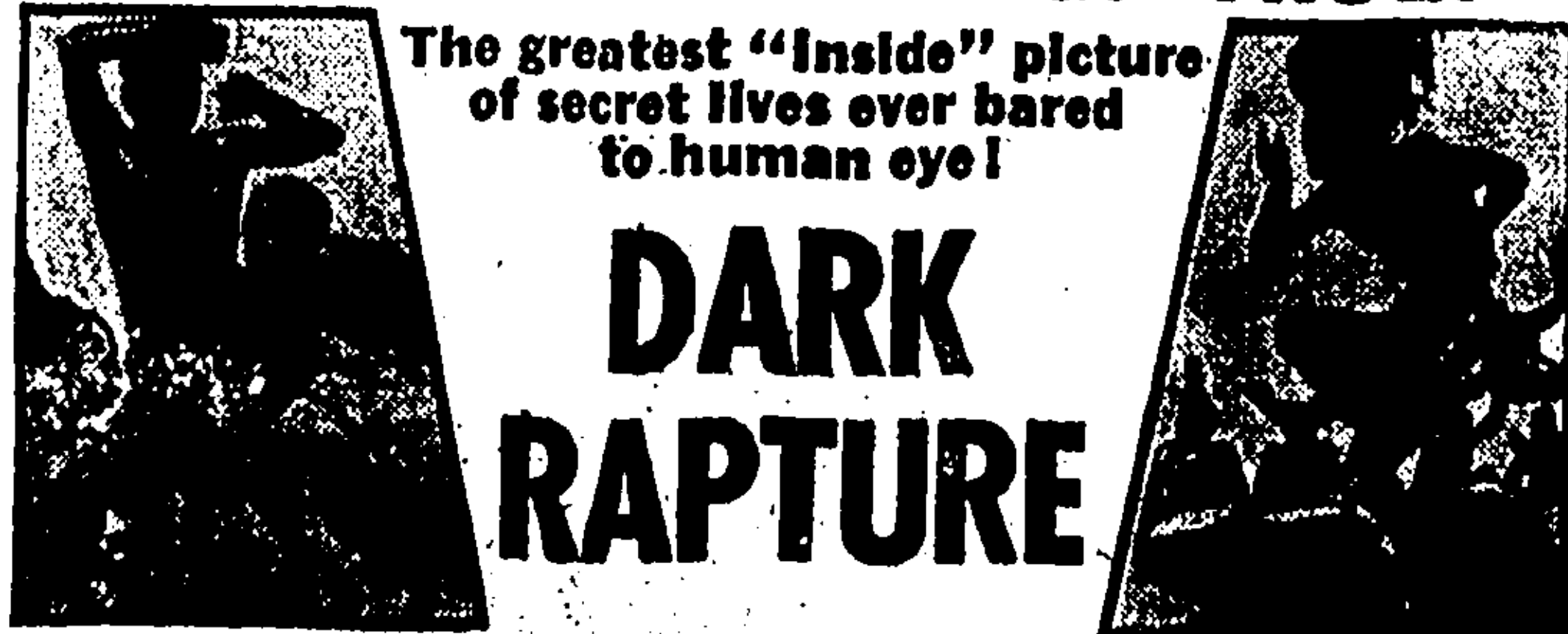
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**NAZI LEADERS FAIL
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Amsterdam, November 3.

ASKED "WHAT IS GERMANY going to do" a prominent German anti-Nazi personality who just crossed into neutral territory stated "I believe no one in Germany can answer that, not even Hitler himself."

"It is true," he added, "that on the Western Front everything has been carefully prepared for a largescale attack. The troops are kept in constant readiness for action ready to answer the order whenever it comes. But the order does not come. Hitler, who is supposed to give it, studied the Western problem under all its aspects and has found no solution to it."

When the war broke out, Hitler declared that to break through the Maginot Line was worth sacrificing 1,800,000 men, he said. "The General Staff believed such an offensive would be sheer suicide and succeeded in convincing Hitler to give up his mad scheme," he continued. "Field-Marshal Goering was then entrusted with working out plans for a mass attack against Great Britain."

BELGIUM INVASION

A careful study of the scheme revealed that in view of the technical characteristics of German bombers, petrol consumption, the weight of bombs to be carried, as well as a number of other important factors, such an attack, to be successful should be undertaken with bases not on the Dutch but on the Belgian coast.

General von Halder, the Chief of the General Staff for the Army, was then instructed to prepare plans for an attack against Belgium. A few days later he said he could not recommend such an attack and tendered his resignation, which was not accepted.

TROOPS STILL AWAIT ORDERS

From that day on, the speaker continued, the General Staff and the troops have been awaiting the Fuehrer's orders.

Meanwhile, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, is rapidly preparing a new diplomatic drive. In exchange for a military alliance from Soviet Russia, he is offering Stalin a share of Germany's sphere of influence in the Balkans. Germany would keep Hungary and Rumania's oil districts.

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**BRITAIN AND
SPAIN**

London, To-day.

Mr. Ronald Cross revealed in the House of Commons yesterday that the British Government was hoping to open negotiations with the Spanish Government on the subject of questions of trade and payments to be taken into account.—Reuter.

She would share Yugoslavia with Italy. Russia would get the rest of Rumania, Bulgaria, and Greece.

It is confirmed that the leaders of the now extinct Macedonian terrorist organization Krim have been received at the Wilhelmstrasse lately.—Havas.

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LORD ZETLAND UNABLE TO AGREE WITH CONGRESS

London, To-day.

AN IMPORTANT STATEMENT on the future of India was made by Lord Zetland, Secretary of State for India, in the House of Lords yesterday. Lord Zetland stated that the Indian Congress had persistently taken the line, and still maintained, that the fact that there were racial and religious minorities in India was of no relevance.

CANADIANS REPORTED KILLED

(Special to "China Mail")

Ottawa, To-day.

Persistent reports of the death of several Canadian missionaries in the Japanese-occupied regions of China, have led to a demonstration by the Rev. E. A. Armstrong, secretary of the United Church of Canada, to the Canadian Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, and to the Japanese Minister to Canada, Baron Tomii.

The United Church maintains missions in Honan, Hopei, Kiangsu, Kwangtung, Shantung and Szechuen.—Havas.

DEATH PENALTY IN NAZI ARMY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IN VIEW OF REPORTS OF THE INCREASING USE OF THE DEATH PENALTY IN THE GERMAN ARMY, A STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR YESTERDAY IS OF GREAT INTEREST.

Since the last war, he said, the British Army has abolished the death penalty for desertion, cowardice, and sleeping whilst on duty, and it is now only imposed for murder, mutiny and offences of a treacherous character.—Reuter.

FUNERAL OF GERMAN SAILORS

London, To-day.

Representatives of all units in the Shorncliffe Garrison, including women members of the A.T.S., were present yesterday at the funeral in the garrison cemetery of five German sailors whose bodies were washed ashore on the Kent coast last week-end.

Full military honours were rendered. Both the Nazi and the old German flags were placed on the coffins.—British Wireless.

They had maintained that it had always been the intention of Congress to secure from the Constitution to be formed by the Indians themselves such protection for their rights as might prove acceptable to the minorities.

The British Government found it impossible to accept this position.

The long-standing British connection with India had left the British Government with obligations towards her which it was impossible for them to shed by disinterested themselves wholly in shaping her future form of government.

OUTSTANDING RESULT

One outstanding result of the recent discussions the Governor-General had had with all parties in India had established beyond doubt the fact that a declaration in the sense proposed, with a summary abandonment by the British Government of their position in India, would be far from acceptable to large sections of the population.

But this did not mean that they had in any sense weakened in their determination to assist India by such means as was in their power to reach without avoidable delay the position in the British Commonwealth of Nations to which they were pledged.—Reuter.

NAZI SHOCK TROOPS ON HOLLAND'S FRONTIER

Brussels, to-day.

Belga, the Belgian news agency, reports that German shock troops who were used in Poland are now concentrated on the Netherlands frontier.

Reason is, according to Berlin, that there is no more room for them in the Siegfried Line.—Reuter.

SHOP HOURS EXTENDED

London, To-day.

Shop-closing hours are to be relaxed.

Whereas at the beginning of the war, closing hours were 6 p.m. on week-days and 7.30 p.m. on Saturdays, the new closing hours will be 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. respectively.—Reuter.



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ROOSEVELT ON EVASION BY SHIPPING

New York, To-day.

President Roosevelt disclosed at his daily press conference yesterday that he had delayed the transfer of United States Lines' ships to Panamanian registry, but emphasised his belief that the United States was in no danger of being involved in war.

He said that if there was that danger the Maritime Commission would probably refuse to allow the transfer.

He said neutrality did not enter into the matter, since any American had a perfect right to sell property to a neutral nation and to transfer his title therein to neutrals.

AMERICA'S POSITION

If the transfer was effected, Americans could not serve as officers and seamen, and if the ship was sunk after transfer there could not be an international episode on account of the crew or cargo.

One of the questions which caused delay in the transfer, said the President, arose from the clause in the Merchant Marine Law the purpose of which was to prevent the sale of American merchantmen if they were considered important for national defence.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

"WE ARE FIGHTING in defence of freedom; we are fighting for peace; we are meeting the challenge to our own security and that of others; we are defending the rights of all nations to live with their own lives."

This answer to the question as to what was the real purpose of the present struggle was given by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in his broadcast last night.

"We are fighting against the substitution of brute force for law as an arbiter between nations, against the violation of the sanctity of treaties and disregard for the pledged word."

"We have learned that there can be no opportunity for Europe to cultivate the arts of peace until Germany is brought to realise that recurrent acts of aggression will not be tolerated.

"It must accordingly be our resolve not only to protect the future from a repetition of the same injuries that German aggression has inflicted on Europe in the last few years but also, so far as we can, to repair the damage successively wrought by Germany upon her weaker neighbours.

CRUEL PERSECUTION

"And that purpose must be the stronger as it is reinforced by the knowledge of cruel persecution of causes and persons at the hands of ruthless men in Germany.

"The British are particularly reluctant to interfere with other people's business, provided always that other people do not seek to interfere in theirs.

"But when the challenge in the sphere of international relations is sharpened, as it is to-day in Germany by the denial to men and women of elementary human rights, that challenge is at once extended to something instinctive and profound in the universal conscience of mankind.

RULE OF LAW

"We therefore are fighting to maintain the rule of law and the quality of mercy in dealings between man and man and in the great society of civilised States."

Lord Halifax said they foresaw that the time might well come when they would have to fight "for those saving graces of our earthly commonwealth."

Lord Halifax recalled his Chatham House speech and said that his hope then that war might be honourably averted was disappointed.

EVIL THINGS

Faced with evil things there are only two courses open.

"You must either defy or you must acquiesce. And acquiescence is dishonour.

"I can feel no doubt in my own conscience that only with supreme dishonour could we in fact have averted war.

"Now the supreme dishonour as well as the supreme folly lie with aggression.

"The supreme dishonour of the German Government is laid open to the world."

Lord Halifax asked whether they could feel secure that through victory in this conflict of physical force they could achieve that purpose.

NO VINDICTIVE PEACE

The Prime Minister had stated that they sought no vindictive peace.

"The new world that we seek will enlist the co-operation of all peoples on a basis of human equality, self-respect and mutual tolerance.

"We, not less than others, have ourselves to learn from past failures and disappointment.

"When this war is over we shall have to see to it that wisdom and goodwill combine for the immense task that awaits us."

Concluding, Lord Halifax stressed the need for unity.

WORK WORTHILY

"It is our duty here, just as much as it is the duty of the men on active service, to stand united, firm and unshakable in mind and heart.

"On this will certainly depend our power to meet the challenge of the present struggle, and when that is over, to answer the call to work worthily for the future of mankind."

— Reuter.

UNITED IN WILL

London, To-day.

Lord Halifax said: "We and those fighting side by side with us — men

CITY OF FLINT INCIDENT

Oslo, To-day.

The commander of the German prize crew on board the City of Flint stopped at Haugesund on instructions from the German liner Schwaben, it is understood.

The Schwaben passed close to the City of Flint and hailed it, these same reports state.—Reuter.

SEIZURES OF PETROL

London, To-day.

The latest in the shortage in petrol in Germany is seen in orders announced yesterday that as many cars as possible must be converted to use coal gas. These orders will first affect heavy lorries, traction engines and tractors.

What the orders do not state is that the Allies, since the war began, have seized 12,000,000 gallons of petrol destined for Nazi Germany. — Reuter.

of our race from every quarter of the world — peoples owning the same loyalty to the Crown — our French and Polish allies — we are all united in the will and under providence we have the power to prove also the supreme folly with which the German Government has moved to its own destruction."

Speaking of the time when we shall have gained the victory, Lord Halifax said: "We shall use all our influence when the time comes in the building of a new world in which the nations will not permit an insane armed rivalry to deny their hopes of a fuller life and future confidence will not be for ever overborne by the grim foreboding of disaster.

BRAVE NEW WORLD

"The new world we seek will enlist the co-operation of all peoples on a basis of human equality, self-respect and mutual tolerance.

"We shall have to think out again many things that lie at the root of international contacts — social, political and economic — and find a means of reconciling the necessity of change in a constantly changing world with security against disturbance of the general peace through resort to violence.

"To this order that we shall seek to create all nations will have their contribution to make and a great responsibility, both in thought and action, will rest upon our people.

NO CLEAR PICTURE

"We shall have no idea of what the shape of the post-war world will be. We do not know the circumstances in which hostilities will end or the materials which will lie to our hands in building the edifice of peace.

"There are some who believe the new order can only come through a surrender in some measure by the nations of their sovereign rights in order to clear the way for some more organic union.

LESSONS OF THE PAST

"But if it is thus hoped to create a more truly international system out of independent states we must learn the lessons of the past.

"No paper plan will endure that does not freely spring from the will of the people, who alone can give it life. Nor will it avail for one people alone to see a vision that has no message for their neighbours.

"International, like national institutions, must have deep roots and if they are to grow must have, like everything else, soil that suits them.

"There is a cynical saying that it is often the task of the wise to repair the harm done by the good. When this war is over, we shall have to see to it that wisdom and goodwill combine for the immense task that will await us." — British Wireless.



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AIR BATTLES IN NORTH SEA

London, To-day.
GERMAN AIRCRAFT were engaged by British land, sea and air forces yesterday.

One enemy machine appeared over the Shetlands and was driven off by anti-aircraft fire and by R.A.F. fighters.

Two Nazi planes were engaged by R.A.F. patrols miles out in the North Sea.

Certain light units of the Fleet, among which were two Polish destroyers, fought an engagement with German aircraft.

None of the ships were hit and the enemy casualties are unknown.—Reuter.

GERMANS IN "FULL FLIGHT"

Copenhagen, To-day.

Several big bombers coming from a northerly direction, pursued by a dozen fighter planes, were seen at 1.30 yesterday afternoon over the North Sea near Ringkøbing.

After a short fight the bombers disappeared, followed by the fighters.

None of the machines was identified but a fisherman said he believed the bombers were German and the fighters British.—Reuter's Special War Service.

ADMIRALTY ANNOUNCEMENT

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announce that naval light forces, including two Polish destroyers, were in action with German aircraft in the North Sea yesterday.

No ship was damaged. Enemy casualties are not known.—Reuter.

ENEMY ESCAPES IN A CLOUD

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announce that a number of air actions occurred in the North Sea yesterday.

Enemy aircraft approaching the

SOVIET 'HUMOUR' FOR NAZIS

Moscow, To-day.

At the parade of Soviet might in Red Square yesterday, in honour of the Bolshevik Revolution and before the Finnish delegates, M. Litvinoff made an unexpected appearance beside Stalin and the other Soviet leaders.

They were joined at the parapet on Lenin's tomb by the new delegate from the Western Ukraine.

As the bands played the "Internationale," the German delegates sprang to the attention, those with hats taking them off.

Portraits of German Communist leaders, and of Dmitroff, the Communist who defied General Goering at the Reichstag Fire "trial," were borne past the German representatives at the parade.—Reuter.

Shetlands in the morning were driven off by anti-aircraft fire and chased away by British aircraft.

Several other enemy aircraft were sighted. Two were engaged by British patrols many miles out in the North Sea.

The enemy escaped in a cloud, and it is not known whether they were able to return home.

All our aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

PATROLS, AMBUSHES AND RAIDS

Paris, To-day.

Apart from the usual activity in No-Man's Land, with patrols and ambushes and raids, the Western front remains calm.

The two armies are still facing each other along a line which corresponds roughly to the frontier.

The French positions, however, are dictated solely by military considerations.

The German lines generally run north of the frontier posts, but west of Forbach and along the edge of the Forest of Warndt.

French detachments still occupy two hills and two villages on German territory.

It is officially stated that the French still occupy Forbach, in view of reports that the town has been evacuated.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

Paris, To-day.

To-night's official communique states that local patrols were active and there was artillery fire at various points on the front.—Reuter.

GREAT AIR ACTIVITY

London, To-day.

Great aircraft activity is reported from numerous points on the Franco-Luxembourg frontier.

It is stated there have been several air fights, and the French air raid sirens in Lorraine have been heard.

However, the Moselle sector is relatively quiet.—Reuter.

SWEDISH STEAMER SEIZED

Stockholm, To-day.

The Swedish steamer Ritta of 3,000 tons, carrying a cargo of cellulose, has been captured by a German warship off Faisterboe.—Reuter.

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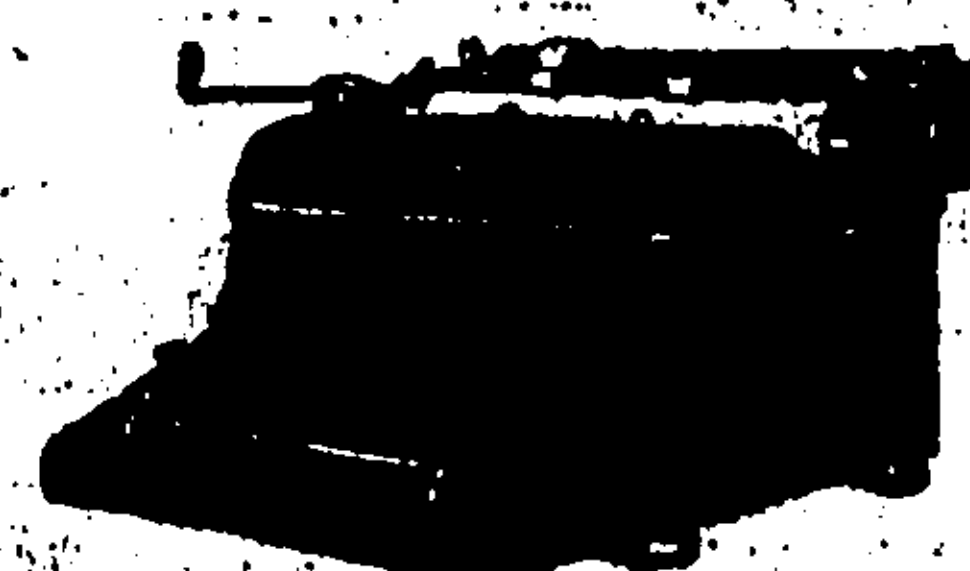
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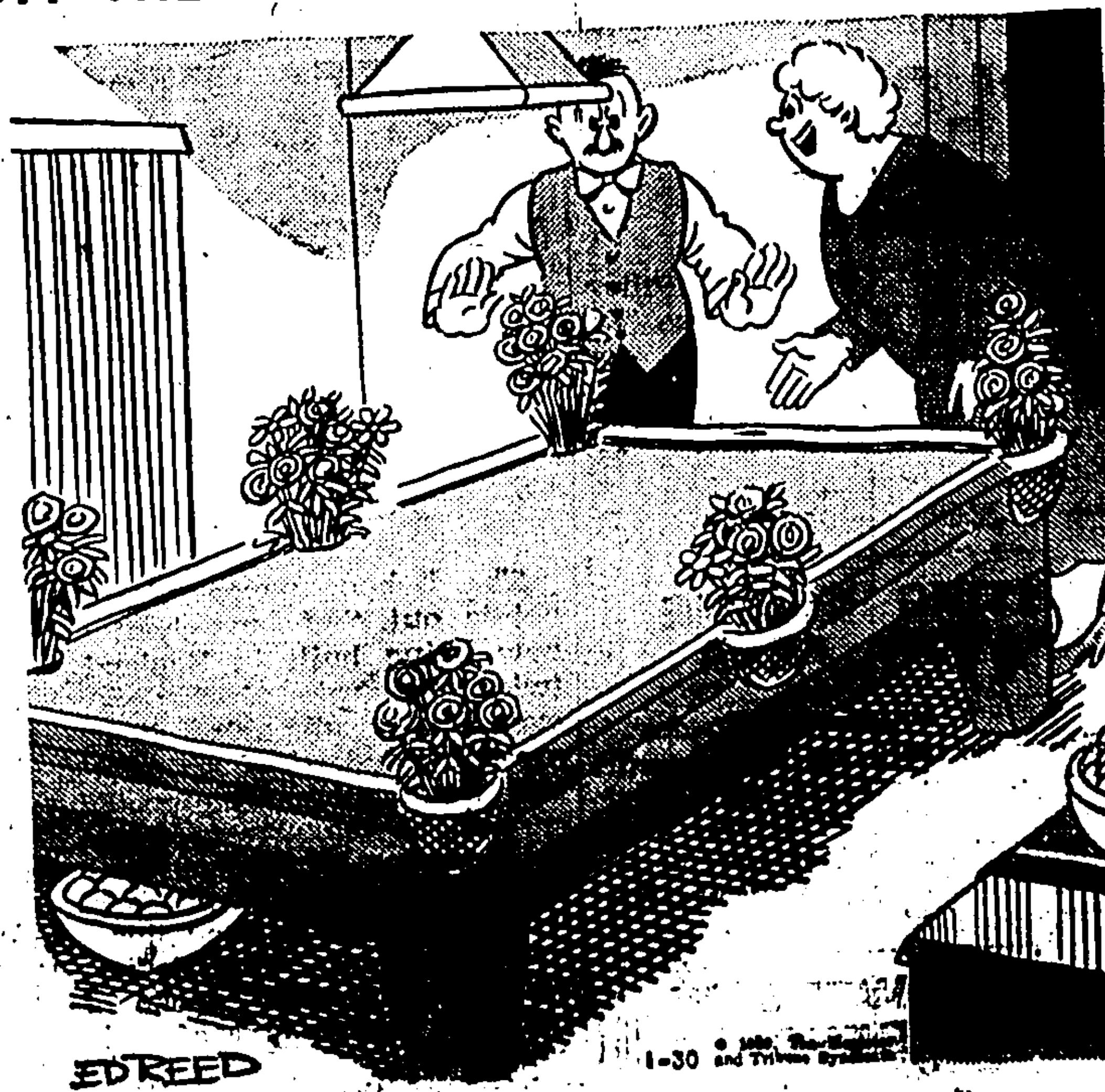
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NEW BID FOR PEACE

SURPRISE APPEAL BY QUEEN WILHELMINA AND KING OF THE BELGIANS

Amsterdam, To-day.
QUEEN WILHELMINA of the Netherlands and **King Leopold** of the Belgians have launched a surprise peace appeal on the world.

The two Sovereigns have despatched to the belligerent Powers statements explaining their views. A copy of the telegram to the belligerents is published in a communique which the Dutch Foreign Office unprecedentedly issued in Dutch, French, English and German.

The communique says: "At this hour of anxiety for the whole world, before war breaks out in Western Europe in all its violence, we have the conviction that it is our duty once again to raise our voice.

"Sometime ago the belligerent parties declared they would not be unwilling to examine a reasonable and well-founded basis for an equitable peace.

"It seems to us that in present circumstances it is difficult for them to come into contact in order to state their standpoints with greater precision and bring them nearer to one another.

GOOD OFFICES

"As the Sovereigns of two neutral States having good relations with all their neighbours, we are ready to offer our good offices.

"If this is agreeable to them we are disposed, by every means at our disposal they might care to suggest, and in a spirit of friendly understanding, to facilitate ascertaining the elements of agreement to be arrived at.

"This, it seems to us, is the task we have to fulfil for the good of our people and in the interests of the whole world.

"We hope our offer will be accepted and thus the first step will have been taken towards the establishment of a durable peace."

TELEGRAMS TO BE SENT

The communique, after announcing the despatch of telegrams and after mentioning the meeting between King Leopold and Queen Wilhelmina, says:

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"The Sovereigns have decided to send a telegram to the rulers of Germany, Britain and France with the object of facilitating possible negotiations.

"This initiative of the Sovereigns is a new sign of the common views and the solidarity which exists between the Netherlands and Belgium."—Reuter.

JOY-RIDERS IN COURT

Cheung Wing, a car watchman, and Wong Wan-kong, office boy, were charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with driving a car without a licence and without the owner's permission.

Traffic Inspector F. J. Clarke said that Mr. A. K. Mackenzie had reported that his car was missing. At about 10.15 p.m., Sergeant Sullivan was driving in Tai Hang Road, when he saw the defendants driving the car zig-zag from the opposite direction. Others were in the car but the rest got away.

First defendant was fined \$30 or three months' hard labour, and second defendant was fined \$25 or three months.

WOMEN EMPLOYED AT NIGHT

The manager of the Vibro Piling Company, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for allowing seven women to be employed on Marine Lot No. 2, C. Des Vouex Road Central on October 25, at 9.25 p.m.

A fine of \$100 was imposed.

FIGHTING IN THE SWATOW AREA

Shiukwan, To-day.

The Japanese made an unsuccessful attempt to occupy a small town north of Chao-An yesterday. Troops from Swatow and Chao-An took part in the expedition but were repulsed.—Our Own Correspondent.

OSLO POWERS IN CONFERENCE

Copenhagen, To-day.

Exports of the Oslo powers are still discussing means of cooperation in the economic and financial fields. The conferences are expected to last a week.—Reuter.

Four men, armed with two revolvers, broke into the home of Yip Yuk, 42, in Wo King Shan Village, Sheungshui District, at 3 a.m. to-day. They decamped with money and clothing to the total value of \$103.

DR. BENES PREDICTS EARLY VICTORY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

"I am an optimist and am convinced that the war will not last long," declared Dr. Benes, President of the exile Czech Government, in an interview.

"The independence of Czechoslovakia," he added, "must be restored."

"My countrymen will never consent to live under oppression."

He disclosed that the Czech Government may be set up in Britain, as the Polish in France, and that a Czech Army is rapidly coming into being.

Dr. Benes expressed his conviction of the necessity for political reorganisation in Europe after the war, based upon the limitation of sovereignty of every State.—Havas.

CITY OF FLINT

Bergen, To-day.

The American Ambassador, Mrs. Harriman, stated yesterday that no arrangement has yet been made about the departure of the City of Flint. The decision rests with Washington.—Reuter.

BRITISH PRESS COMMENT

TRIBUTE TO NAVY: HITLER'S TROUBLES

London, To-day.

MOST OF YESTERDAY'S Home press pays a tribute to the Royal Navy for getting the upper hand vis a vis the U-boats so early in the war.

The results, says the "Daily Telegraph," quite justified the Navy's confidence that enemy submarines would not be the menace they were in 1917.

The Labour paper "Daily Herald" points out that merchant ships are now being built in England at over twice the rate of sinking, so that even if the submarines kept up their present standard of sinkings the British merchant marine would be increased as the war progressed.

Discussing M. Molotov's speech, the "Manchester Guardian" says that it was disturbing to read this astonishing statement from Soviet leaders who only recently spoke of international justice and of resistance to aggression.

Most of the papers agree that the speech brought little comfort to Nazi Germany.

VISION IN INDIA

On India, the "Manchester Guardian" feels that the British Government might have shown more vision and initiative.

Regarding the death of Burgo-master Max, "The Times" says that he was one of the many honest men who proved that brute force alone can never bring enduring mastery.—Reuter.

NEW HOPE IN FINNISH NEGOTIATIONS

Helsinki, To-day.

After M. Tanner had had a long telephone conversation from Moscow yesterday afternoon he was reported to have informed the Government that a new basis had been discovered for the re-opened Soviet-Finnish talks.—Reuter.

HAMBURG A.A. HITS A NAZI PLANE

Amsterdam, To-day.

It is reported from Hamburg that anti-aircraft gunners near the port shot down one of their own planes yesterday.

The German machine had lost its way and had trespassed over a forbidden zone.

Under concentrated fire of several batteries, the machine was hit and crashed.

The airmen escaped by parachute.—Reuter.

KING AND QUEEN ENTERTAIN

London, To-day.

The King and Queen entertained the Dominions and India representatives and their wives to dinner at Buckingham Palace.

The King had informal talks with the Empire envoys after dinner.—Reuter.

A CURIOUS STATEMENT

BRUSSELS, TO-DAY.

AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE YESTERDAY EVENING STATES THAT KING LEOPOLD OF BELGIUM AND QUEEN WILHELMINA OF THE NETHERLANDS EXCHANGED VIEWS ON SOME ASPECTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION.

It is stated here that the talks have no relation to mediation in the war or to the formation of a military alliance.

An official spokesman says that they discussed relevant questions concerning the Oslo powers.—Reuter.

Lt.-Col. H. L. Murrow, of the Hong Kong "Daily Press," reports that someone stole his Leica camera from a car parked outside No. 6, Duke Street, yesterday.

THE NEW PEACE PROPOSAL

STANDPOINT OF BRITAIN AND FRANCE ALREADY MADE PERFECTLY CLEAR

London, To-day.

ANNOUNCEMENT THAT a peace proposal has come from the meeting of Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold of Belgium at The Hague yesterday has aroused interest in London, but there is no encouragement for any belief that the position may undergo any important change.

Pending the receipt and examination of a message from them, authoritative circles in London state that any communication from such a quarter would, naturally, receive very careful study in London.

It is recalled, however, that both Mr. Chamberlain, for Britain, and M. Daladier, for France, have made clear the position of the two governments on the origins of the war and on the circumstances which only could facilitate a just and enduring peace.

King Leopold and M. Spaak returned from The Hague to Brussels yesterday afternoon.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON NOT IMPRESSED

Washington, To-day. Congressional quarters have noted the peace move by Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold with expressions of approval tempered with scepticism regarding the final outcome.—Reuter.

NAZI ATTACKS ON NEUTRALS

Berlin, To-day. A Nazi Foreign Office spokesman, commenting on the Belgian royal visit to the Netherlands, attacked the attitude of the small neutrals to the British blockade.

Their attitude in German eyes, he said, scarcely consisted of true neutrality. Neutrals should make more than paper complaints.

The Nazi press makes a concentrated attack on the smaller neutrals, which it accuses of lack of willingness to defend their neutrality.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL REFUSAL TO COMMENT

London, To-day. Officials here decline to comment on the reported offer by the Netherlands and Belgian rulers of their good offices which it is understood has been addressed to the heads of the belligerent states.

In the absence of an authoritative lead diplomatic observers limit themselves to recalling that the attitudes of the British and French Governments have been already made very clear.—British Wireless.

"SOVIETISING" POLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day. Celebration of the 22nd anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution has been marked in the Polish regions occupied by the Soviet by the commandeering of all apartments previously owned by "bourgeois" families and handing them over to the families of workers.—Havas.

AIR ACTIVITY IN N. GERMANY

London, To-day. There was great air activity on the northern part of Germany's frontier yesterday.—Reuter.

TRANSFER OF SHIPS POSTPONED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

Following opposition from the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, Congressional circles and workers' organisations, the Maritime Commission has reversed its stand, and has decided to re-examine the question of the transfer of nine ships of the United States Lines to the Panama flag.

Mr. Hull stated yesterday that the transfer was an attempt to evade the Neutrality Law.

President Roosevelt, however, told the press that he was awaiting a report from the Maritime Commission. He did not believe the transaction was in contradiction of the Neutrality Bill.—Havas.

PRESIDENT AND MR. HULL CONFER

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull have been in conference on the question of the proposal to turn over certain American liners to Panamanian registry.

At the moment, permission has been given up pending answers by the Maritime Commission to two legal points.

The view of the President is that there can be nothing to prevent any American from disposing of his property where he will, but the sale must be outright, and if the ships were sunk, the United States would not be concerned.

Mr. Cordell Hull questions the validity of the proposal, but says there could be no objection to outright sale.

The Trade Unions have protested against the scheme.—Reuter.

AMBASSADOR TO RETURN TO SHANGHAI

Chungking, To-day.

Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador, will shortly leave for Shanghai. During the last few days he has been taking his farewells of government officials.—Our Own Correspondent.

SWEDISH ATTACK ON COMMUNISM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

STOCKHOLM, TO-DAY.

A JOINT CONFERENCE OF SWEDISH WORKERS' UNIONS YESTERDAY PASSED A RESOLUTION BRANDING THE SWEDISH COMMUNISTS AS POLITICALLY AND FINALLY DEPENDENT ON THE SOVIET, "AS ARE COMMUNISTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES."

The Swedish Communists, says the resolution, admit treason as an instrument in their fight if the Comintern orders it.

They blindly approve Moscow's instructions in defending Nazism and supporting aggression.—Havas.

TYPHOON

Temperature in Hong Kong yesterday reached 88 degrees in the shade, a marked change from the recent cool spell. This morning at 10 a.m., the thermometer had already reached 81 and at 1 p.m., 85 was registered.

A typhoon or depression some 300 miles to the south-east of Hong Kong is responsible. It is moving very slowly north-east. Cyclonic gales are occurring North-West of Luzon.

GIGANTIC PARADE IN MOSCOW: LITVINOFF ATTENDS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

"LONG LIVE THE RED ARMY, which liberated western Ukraine and White Russia" was the slogan throughout the capital yesterday.

The city was lavishly plastered with posters, and a cardboard statue outside the Grand Theatre was erected representing Ukrainian peasant girls standing amid the smouldering remains of a house and welcoming Russian troops.

A huge poster of Ernst Thaelmann, once the leader of the German Communist Party (who is reported to have been released recently after six years in jail) was paraded throughout the city.

Something of a sensation was caused among foreigners when, a few minutes before the parade started, the former Foreign Commissioner, M. Maxim Litvinoff, entered the official stand in Red Square.

Soviet officials did not notice the arrival of M. Litvinoff, who looked aged and tired.—Havas.

FATAL ACCIDENT

A fatal accident occurred in the Kowloon Naval Dockyard yesterday, when a coolie, Wan Kwan, 40, was crushed between the walls of No. 15 shed and a 30-cwt-drum. The man was immediately sent to Kowloon Hospital, but died shortly after admittance.

U.S. LINER DECISION IN ABEYANCE

Washington, To-day. The approval by the Maritime Commission of the transfer of eight American liners to the Panamanian flag is held in abeyance. Objections were raised by Mr. Cordell Hull on the ground that such a step would represent an impairment of the integrity of the Neutrality Act.—Reuter.

CENTRAL SUPPLY BOARD

London, To-day.

A Central British Supply Board is being set up for British war purchases in Canada and the United States.

Orders in Canada will be placed with the special Board set up by Canada to co-ordinate Canadian munitions activities. In the United States they will be placed by a British Purchasing Commission of which Mr. Purves will be the Director-General.

Arrangements are also being made to co-ordinate British and French purchases in the United States.—Reuter.

VISCOUNT GORT INSPECTS THE LINE

London, To-day.

General Viscount Gort, the British Commander-in-Chief, went up to the front lines yesterday evening from his Headquarters and examined the dispositions.—Reuter.

YOUTH BEATEN UP

At the junction of Luard Road at about 7.30 a.m. to-day, a Chinese youth, Lang Chai-chol, was beaten up and removed to Queen Mary Hospital, with multiple wounds, believed to be serious.

Chan Cheung, 20, was arrested shortly after the incident, and is alleged to have said that the fight was over a gambling debt of 30 cents.

He was detained.

Suffering from shrapnel wounds, received over a month ago in the Shuntak District, Wong Ki-shan, 24, was yesterday admitted to the Tung Wah Hospital.

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

WAR AIMS

What are the Allies to aim at? A Europe in which armed force will no longer be arbiter, whether it is used on land, in the air, or on the sea. This implies the creation of a League possessed of an armed force greater than that of any European Power. A Europe again in which some form of Federal Union will subordinate all the fierce rivalries that now threaten to tear us to pieces and enable each people to develop its own culture and raise the level of its common life, finding strength and help in its association with the rest of Europe. To the creation of such a Europe the Allies would contribute not only by their leadership but by their own concessions, for it would obviously demand from them their consent to a radical reconstruction of the colonial system, as well as to large economic readjustments and the surrender of part of their national sovereignty. Such a Europe cannot be created at once. Its creation must be a gradual and complicated process. But if that is our aim all our policy must be guided and governed by its spirit and its needs. There is no place in it for a Power that seeks conquest and dominion. A conference in which mutually suspicious governments dealt in bargains and arrangements of the old kind, in a series of manoeuvres and stratagems, would not give it much help. The ideal meeting-place for a Peace Congress, as Mr. Harold Nicolson argues in the "Nineteenth Century," would be Washington, and the Allies should make every effort to enlist the help of the United States, for whom this might well seem the sequel to their great achievement in constructing their Federal Constitution. With such plans in view the Allies would have no difficulty in showing that they did not desire a Versailles Peace, for they seek to provide a world in which all the legitimate demands of the unsatisfied Powers would be met. If, then, the world wants to know why Great Britain is at war, the answer is threefold. She is fighting, as every threatened State must fight, for her own security. She is fighting, as a people that has drawn so freely on Europe for light and culture, for fame and wealth, is in honour bound to fight, to guard Europe's liberties. And if to-day she can only defend Europe by using her reluctant strength upon the seven seas she is fighting, we hope, for this dream of a nobler future when she can serve Europe by using all her knowledge, experience, and sympathy to aid the common purposes of mankind.—"Manchester Guardian."

HITLER MENTALITY

Only a mentality without a sense of history would forget that only a few months ago he described German-Polish relations as so satisfactory as to rejoice all "true friends of peace" and recognised that "a state of 33,000,000 people will always strive for an outlet to the sea" and now declare that the fate of Poland is to be determined entirely by Germany and Russia.

Only a mentality lacking a sense of principle on which alone a stable peace can be founded could say that revision of Versailles by fear and force had brought stable conditions and that results not methods are the main consideration.

Only a mentality with no serious

expectation or purpose of making peace but only of building up the morale of one people and breaking down that of others would have offered such peace terms in a radio oration.

Only those who must fight in a continuation of the war can say that peace shall not be made on such terms or with such a mentality. But those whose chief concern is to stay out of war will easily understand the inability—already forecast—of Britain and France to find hope of genuine peace in this speech.—"Christian Science Monitor."

STALINISM

The old talk about chestnuts and fires is repeated: if Stalinism refused to pull chestnuts out of the fire for anybody it has not been slow to pull them out for itself. Having secured them it prepares to consume them. Therefore the world war also must be liquidated.

So the propaganda runs and will run. It will undoubtedly have its effect on the doped and silenced peoples of Germany and Russia.

It may even impress anxious and threatened neutrals—those little chestnuts upon which the fire creeps. Few of them will be able to avoid injury and suffering. All may be excused for seeking also any way out.

ONE ANSWER

The experience of mankind returns only one answer. Results can only be achieved through the application of the federal principle. Therefore, let a confederation of Europe be established, an association of free nations open to all who are prepared to submit themselves to the public law, which such a confederation will administer and uphold. Let us highly resolve at the outset that our main war aim is to reconstruct the shattered fortunes of Europe upon the unassailable foundation of justice and peace.—Lord Davies.

Some may consent to be bloodlessly conquered—or liquidated—rather than to risk the march of desperate gangsters across their lands.

That being the prospect of propaganda at this turning point in the struggle, what are we doing, on our side, to counter the flood of lies?

Nothing! Or so little that you cannot hear what is said by us.

Neutrals cannot hear us. What

they hear incessantly is the roar of Nazi news-giving, the screeching or insinuating voices of Nazi spokesmen, the books and leaflets and personal intervention of Nazi agents and spies.

To set against all that, we have at great cost set up—and must now reform or destroy—a Ministry of No Information which is the slave of a stupid censorship, and which, when reproached for its flaccid, whimpers that it can't invent news, and that if it did invent some, the censorship would suppress it.—"Daily Mirror."

JAPAN'S POLICIES

"Japan, by her piratical freebooting in China, has brought herself into conflict with Great Britain, France and the United States. Soviet Russia, since Stalin hitched his wagon to Hitler's evil destiny, has come into conflict with the same Powers.

"What, then, would be more logical than for Tokyo and Moscow to band together, even if only temporarily, in an attempt to ease the pressure which both are feeling? Hitler has no scruples about allying himself with the hated "Reds"—then why not Japan also?

"A bedfellowship of this kind would produce advantages for both, Soviet Russia would secure a peaceful Far Eastern front and be free for action in Europe, while Japan, freed of the Soviet "menace" that she has always feared, could devote her full attention to resisting the pressure of the United States and Britain and securing that settlement of the China conflict with she desires.

"Judging by all the signs, Far Eastern developments in the coming weeks are going to prove highly interesting." —"China Weekly Review."

GRAPHIC STORY OF FRENCH AIR TRIUMPH

Paris, To-day.

THE FIRST DETAILED account of the great Franco-German air battle was given in last night's "Intransigent."

The newspaper reveals that 27 German planes were making a demonstration of strength over the French lines.

The apparently intended to impress the French troops by flying in compact formation recalling their methods in Poland, where they skimmed the ground, spreading terror and death.

Flying at 300 miles an hour they had hardly reached French territory when a French squadron took off to the attack.

The French planes quickly assumed a formation advantageous for their assault, and then, manoeuvring skilfully, they attacked with every gun blazing.

Watchers on the ground saw seven raiders fall, some in flames, after which the Germans turned in disorder and made for home, with the French in pursuit.

TWO MORE

Two more Messerschmidts fell behind the Siegfried Line before the fleeing squadron outdistanced its pursuers.

The French air chiefs awaited the return of their planes with anxiety, feeling that such a victory could not be achieved without loss.

They were surprised and relieved, therefore, when all the French planes returned, several of them riddled with bullets but safe. — **Reuter.**

MR. M.K. LO AND EVICTIONS BILL

In Legislative Council to-morrow the Hon. Lo Man-kam, will ask the following question:—

Having regard to the following facts:—

- (1) That the Prevention of Eviction (No. 2) Amendment Ordinance, 1939, was passed "without opposition only on receiving an assurance from the Government that all representations as to amendment of this special restrictive and temporary legislation would be referred to a qualified committee of two official and five unofficial members of the Legislative Council for consideration and report";
- (2) That the report of the committee referred to above was laid on the table at the meeting of this Council held on the 1st September, 1939,
- (3) That the bill of an Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Prevention of Eviction Ordinances, 1938 and 1939, as drafted by the said Committee, was read a first time in this Council on the 1st September, 1939, and
- (4) That the Honourable the Attorney General, in moving the said first reading, stated in effect the second reading of the said bill would be taken at the then next meeting of this Council —

will Government explain the reason for delay in implementing the report of the said Committee and state what it intends to do as regards the said bill?

NOT WISE

London, To-day.

Sir John Simon in the Commons yesterday said it would not be in the public interest to issue half-yearly statements on the position of the Exchange Equalisation Fund in wartime. — **British Wireless.**

BALKAN ENTENTE TO MEET

London, To-day.

It is officially confirmed, says Rome radio, that Rumania, Turkey and Greece have agreed to hold a meeting of the Balkan Entente.

Yugo-Slavia has not yet made an announcement. — **Reuter.**

WAR OFFICE INTERFERES IN WEDDING PLANS

London, To-day.

An appeal to Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Minister for War, to help a Malaya officer's romance to end in wedding bells, is to be made in the House of Commons on November 14.

Mr. J. P. Morris, the Conservative member for North Salford, will then ask if the War Minister is aware of the fact that the Director of Movements of the War Office has refused to grant an exit permit to Miss Joan Richardson in order that she may fly to Singapore to marry Lieut. Ted Morris, and whether Mr. Hore-Belisha will reconsider the decision.

It is stated that Miss Richardson is perfectly prepared to run the risk if there is any question of danger. — **Reuter.**

LITTLE IMPORTANCE IN MOLOTOV SPEECH

London, To-day.

M. MOLOTOFF'S SPEECH and the Comintern manifesto do not represent any new departure, and too much importance should not be attached to them.

The main points are:

1. The emphasis on neutrality. The speech held out little hope of more active intervention on the German side.

2. The fact that Germany is attacked in the manifesto and not in the speech. The new official pro-German attitude of the Soviet Government has never been precisely reproduced in the emanations of the Comintern designed for consumption abroad (except, of course, in Germany), which has continued to attack Fascism in general.

Since, as everyone knows, the Comintern and the Soviet Government are both equally under Stalin's control, it shows that the Government's professed solidarity with Germany does not go very deep.

Nazism will doubtless try to explain away the manifesto but it will nevertheless remain a thorn in their side. — **Reuter.**

GUERRILLAS' SUCCESS

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese are experiencing great difficulty in operating the Shanghai-Hangchow Line, owing to the activities of guerillas.

Every morning now, before a train leaves Hangchow or Shanghai, aeroplanes are sent out to see if the line is clear and has not been wrecked during the night.

The trains are then despatched preceded by an armoured car. — **Our Own Correspondent.**

SOVIET AND MANCHUKUO FIND TERMS

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

MESSAGES FROM HSINKING STATE THAT MANCHUKUO AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL IN THE NEAR FUTURE EXCHANGE VESSELS DETAINED BY EACH OTHER — APPARENTLY FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF JAPAN AND THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, WHO RECENTLY DECIDED TO EXCHANGE VESSELS.

Setting aside the question of a fundamental readjustment of relations between the Soviet Union and Manchukuo, observers here attach considerable importance to this exchange agreement which closely follows the conclusion of the Nomohan truce. — **Reuter.**

THREE JAP. PLANES SHOT DOWN

Shiuhing, To-day.

Three Japanese planes were shot down by Chinese aircraft during a spectacular air battle over Samshui on Monday. They crashed at Samkong in flames.

Three other enemy machines were seen to have been hit.

The Chinese aircraft were on their way to Canton for reconnaissance when they encountered the enemy machines. — **Central News.**

JAPANESE AIR RAIDS

Chungking, To-day.

Japanese air raiders were active over Hunan, Kwangsi and Chekiang yesterday.

Eighteen machines staged raids over Hengyang, 113 miles southwest of Changsha, while nine bombed Lingling.

In Kwangsi, five machines attacked Chennankwan, Lungchow, Yikow and Ningming.

Chuhsien, in western Chekiang, was bombed by three Japanese aircraft. — **Central News.**



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Paris, To-day.

ANOTHER BATTLE between French airmen, flying Curtiss fighters, and a squadron of German Messerschmidts occurred yesterday afternoon over the Western Front.

The French planes, swooping down at a speed of 400 miles an hour, compelled the Germans to break formation and a series of dogfights occurred.

The Germans turned and the Frenchmen fought them until they were over the Seigfried Line, but the losses of the German planes have not been determined.

The French suffered what they thought was their first loss, as one of their planes failed to reach its base at the expected hour.

Late in the evening, however, the pilot brought his plane back to his aerodrome, having made a forced landing owing to engine trouble.

Four of the French machines were hit by bullets, but they were not seriously damaged, and none of the French airmen were wounded. — Reuter.

IMPERIAL WAR DISCUSSION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE VISITING MINISTERS FROM THE DOMINIONS AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA YESTERDAY MORNING MET THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING AND DISCUSSED WITH HIM METHODS OF CO-OPERATION AND GENERAL SHIPPING QUESTIONS.

Various problems appertaining to individual Dominions were also dealt with.

In the afternoon the Ministers met the Home Secretary and Minister of Home Security.

Sir John Anderson explained the nature of the air raids problem and described the organisation which had been set up for civil defence purposes throughout the country. — British Wireless.

STONING OF OSWALD

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
London, To-day.

Sir Oswald Mosley, the Fascist leader, who has been crusading for peace on the Hitler model, was stoned during a demonstration against him and his supporters at Manchester. — Havas.

Charged as an unregistered money lender, Wing Choa, 30, spinster, of No. 165, Tam Kung Road, Kowloon City, was this morning remanded on \$400 bail by Mr. E. Himsforth.

ASSAULTED ON WEDDING NIGHT

"I cannot force people to live together if she or he does not wish to do so. After all, the women in this country are more or less free," said Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, addressing an Indian and his Chinese wife, when placing the man on a \$25 bond to keep the peace for one year. The Indian was also ordered to pay \$15 compensation to his wife.

Mohammed Alam, 30, of No. 148, Temple Street, was summoned at the instance of his wife, Wong Yuet-fong, 21, for assault on the night of October 11, their wedding night.

Alam alleged that she repeatedly demanded \$100 from him, as her mother wanted the money.

His wife denied the allegation. She said she was supposed to be paid \$30 before married him, but she only received \$10.

SNATCHERS SENTENCED

Arrested by Mr. Jorge, of Jordan Road, at 9 p.m. yesterday attempting to snatch a handbag from an unknown European lady, Chan Kum-hoi, 21, boiler maker, employed by the China Light and Power Company, was this morning fined \$15 or six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. E. Himsforth on Lau Hoi-chuen, 23, unemployed, for a similar offence.

FACTORY LAW BROKEN

The managers of five knitting factories in Shamshuipo were this morning summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen for employing female workers in an industrial undertaking during prohibited hours. They were each fined \$50.

Inspector W. D. Phillips, who visited the factories, found 150 women working between 10 p.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus

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DOMINIONS' WAR EFFORT: AN ANALYSIS

London, To-day.

THE FOLLOWING disclosures of the Dominion war effort have been made in connection with the present London discussions.

In the naval sphere, the Dominions have mobilised their resources in ships and men and vessels of the Dominion Navies are now co-operating with our own far from home waters.

BRITAIN'S FINANCING OF WAR

London, To-day.

The House of Commons yesterday adopted a resolution on which a National Loans Bill will be based.

Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer explained that it would empower the Treasury to borrow, as under the War Loans Acts in the last war.

The Resolution will empower the Treasury to borrow any sums required for the year ending on March 31, 1940, plus £250,000,000 and any sums required for the repayment of maturing securities. The terms of the proposed loans will be decided at the time of issue. — Reuter.

QUICK TURN OVER

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A BRITISH FIRM, WHICH TILL THE OUTBREAK OF THE WAR MANUFACTURED ENAMEL TINS, IS NOW ONE OF THE BIGGEST PRODUCERS OF CARTRIDGE CASES.

These require a special plant not normally used in the industry, but 10 to 15 per cent. more per press than was expected, have already been produced.

This provides an instance of British success in converting ploughshares into swords. — Reuter.

NO GREAT STRAIN

London, To-day.

With regard to the cash and carry provisions of American neutrality legislation, according to the last year the figures were available, namely 1937, 50 per cent. of the goods imported by Britain from the United States and 60 per cent. of British exports to the United States, were carried by British ships. — Reuter.

The Dominions have also taken all necessary measures for local defence. Canada is training a division available as an expeditionary force if and when required and is taking steps to prepare a second.

Australia is mobilising her militia of 80,000 men and is raising a special force of 20,000 for service in Australia or overseas.

New Zealand is raising a special force of 6,500 which is already in training.

South Africa is preparing a force to be in readiness for any emergency in Africa.

IN THE AIR

Even before the outbreak of war the Dominions had proved invaluable for the provision of pilots and Canada, Australia and New Zealand were now co-operating in a scheme for the training of personnel and production of aircraft.

South Africa was making its own arrangement for the training and developing of air resources.

In the economic sphere, a United Kingdom Mission is now in Canada discussing potentialities with regard to the supply of munitions and raw materials. Discussions are also in progress with all four Dominions for the purchase of foodstuffs and other materials.

SMALLER PARTS

The smaller Dominions are contributing their full share. Newfoundland is recruiting hundreds of men for the Navy and to making arrangements for recruiting others for the Army.

Southern Rhodesia has mobilised and will prove a valuable source of land and air personnel. — Reuter.

TURKEY RATIFYING ALLIANCE

Ankara, To-day.

The Mixed Commission of the National Assembly yesterday unanimously approved the pact with Britain and France.

The pact will come before the Assembly for ratification to-day.

Turkey yesterday decided to relax certain export regulations which went into force at the beginning of the war. — Reuter.

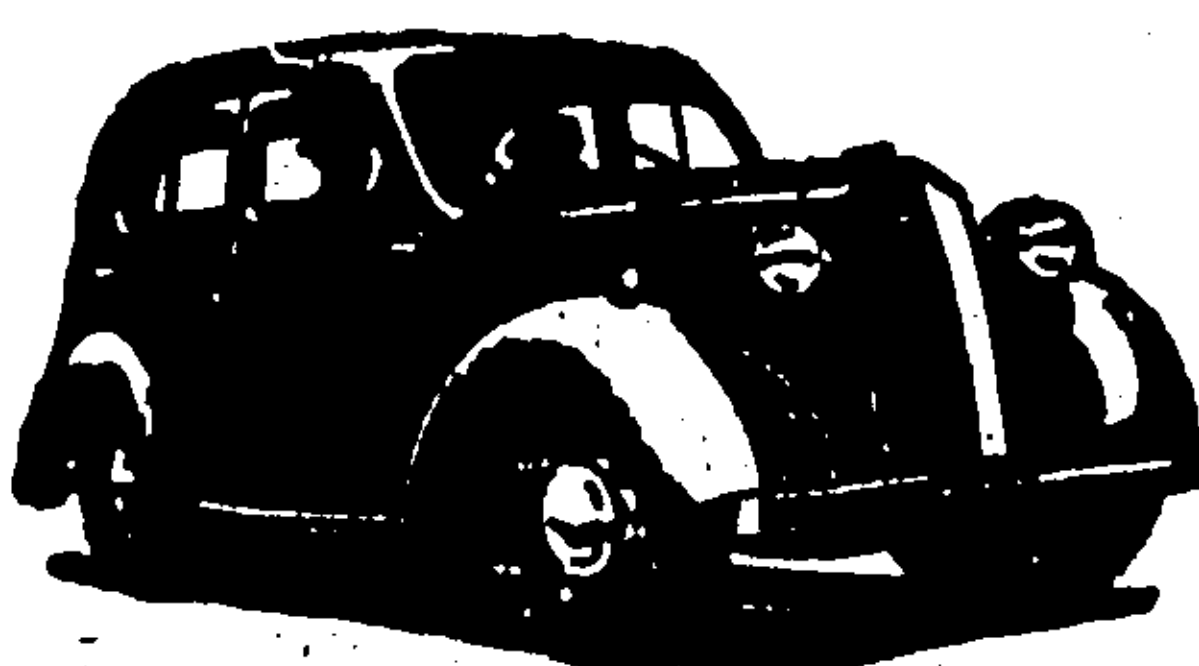
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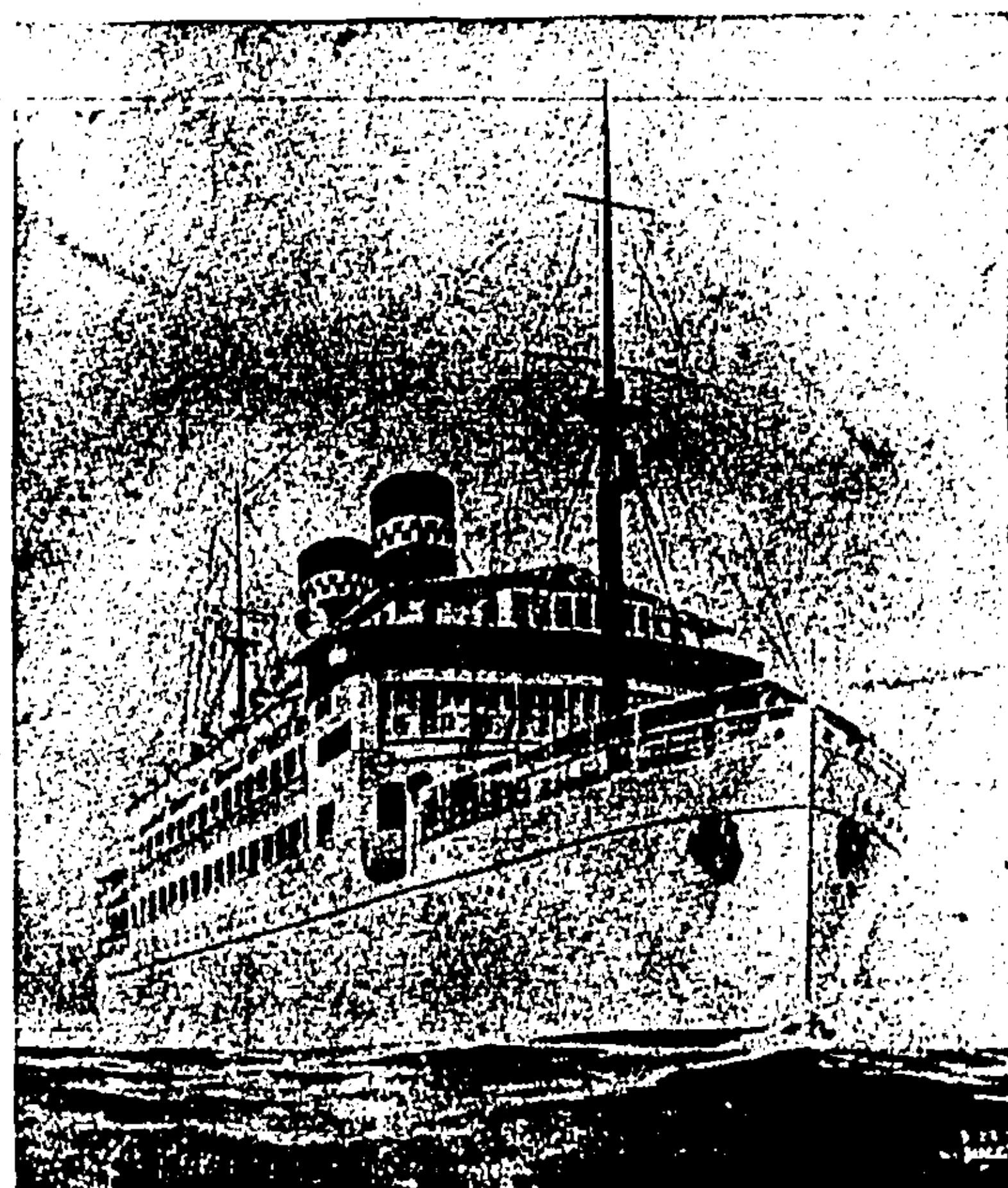
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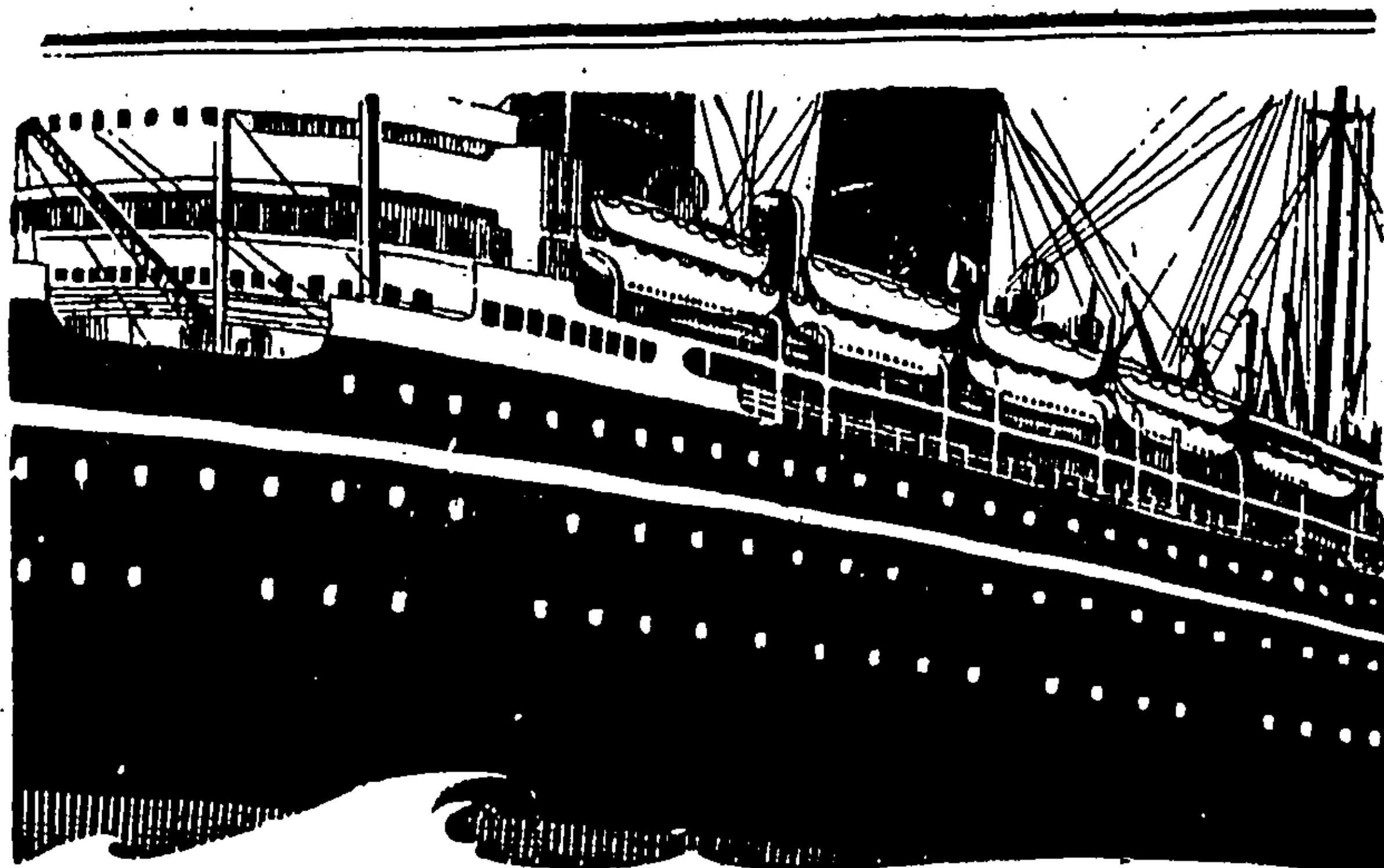
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INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 31st October	November 8.
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Haiphong	November 8.
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Japan and Shanghai	November 8.
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Shanghai	November 9.
Manila	November 9.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	November 9.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st November	November 9.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
	WEDNESDAY	
Saigon		Nov. 8, 1.00 p.m.
Shanghai		Wed., Nov. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Straits (Parcels only)		Nov. 8, 5.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 16th November	Reg., ... Wed., Nov. 8, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Wed., Nov. 8, 5.30 p.m.	K.P.O. G.P.O.
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	THURSDAY	
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 15th November	Reg., ... Nov. 8, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Nov. 8, 5.30 p.m.	G.P.O. K.P.O.
	Reg., ... Nov. 8, 5.00 p.m. Ord., ... Nov. 9, 7.30 a.m.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Egypt and Europe via Suez and London Parcels—due London, 14th Dec.	Par., ... Nov. 8, 5.00 p.m. Reg., ... Nov. 9, 8.45 a.m. Ord., ... Nov. 9, 9.30 a.m.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa		Nov. 9, 2.30 p.m.

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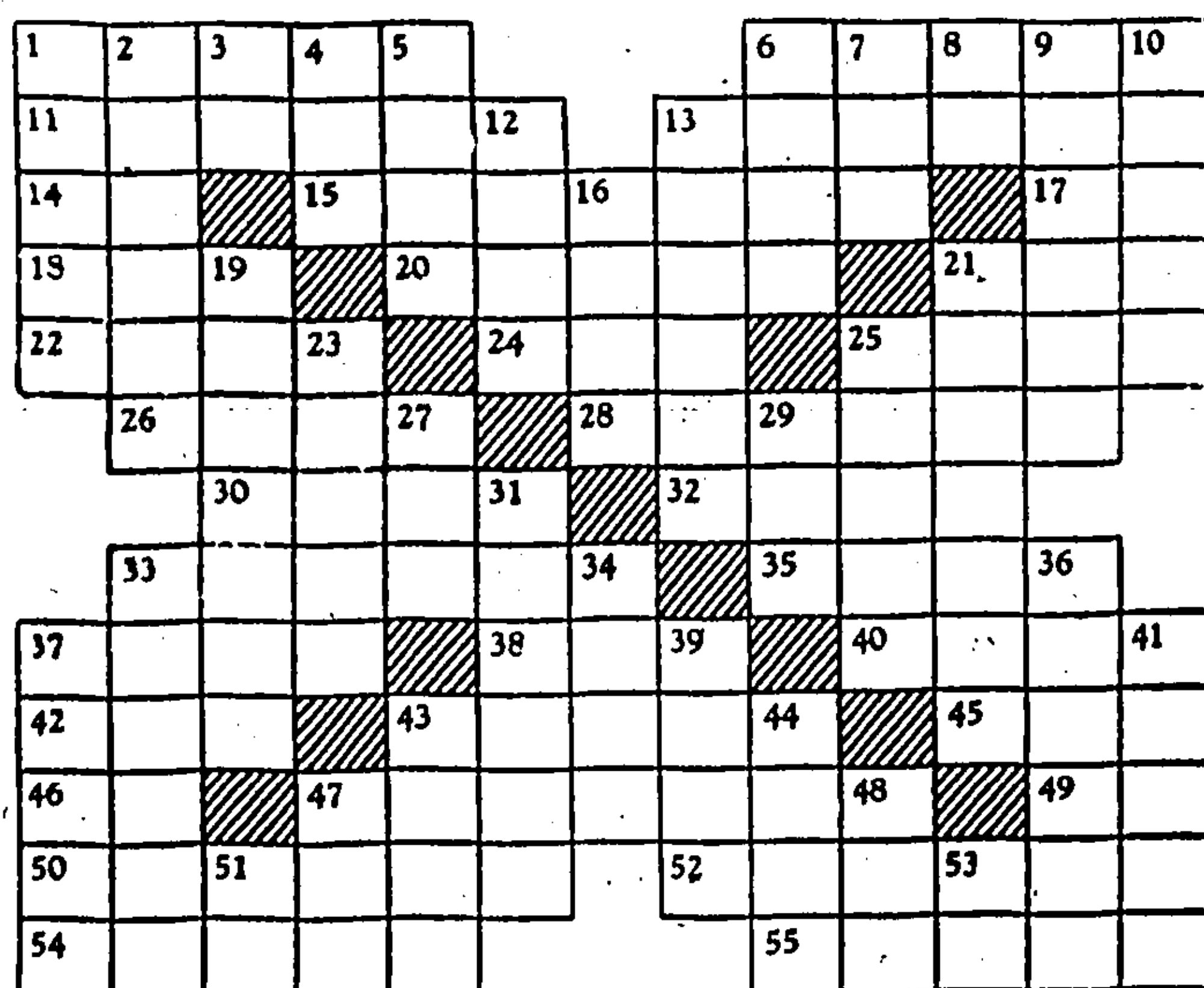
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- 1 Thickens into mass
- 6 Bundles
- 11 To feast
- 13 Evident
- 14 Part of "to be"
- 15 Turn backward
- 17 Note of scale
- 18 Mire
- 20 To resign
- 21 Lair
- 22 To urge
- 24 A brook
- 25 Fraction
- 26 Sea
- 28 Stalks of grain
- 30 Ursine animal
- 32 Carnelian
- 33 Scolds (coll.)
- 35 Raw hide
- 37 Raced
- 38 Mournful
- 40 Devoted
- 42 Concealed
- 43 Large vessel
- 45 Music: a duet

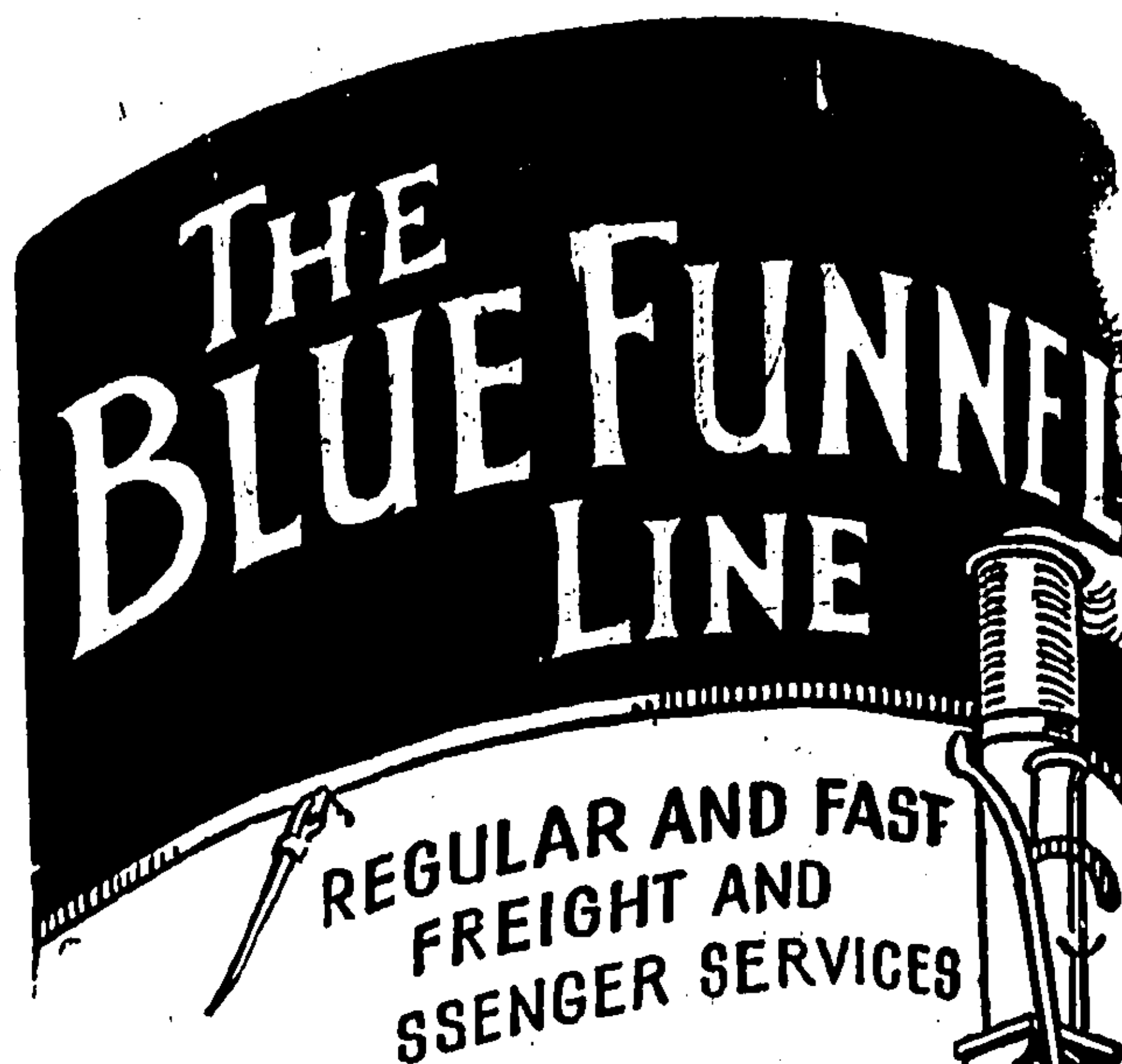
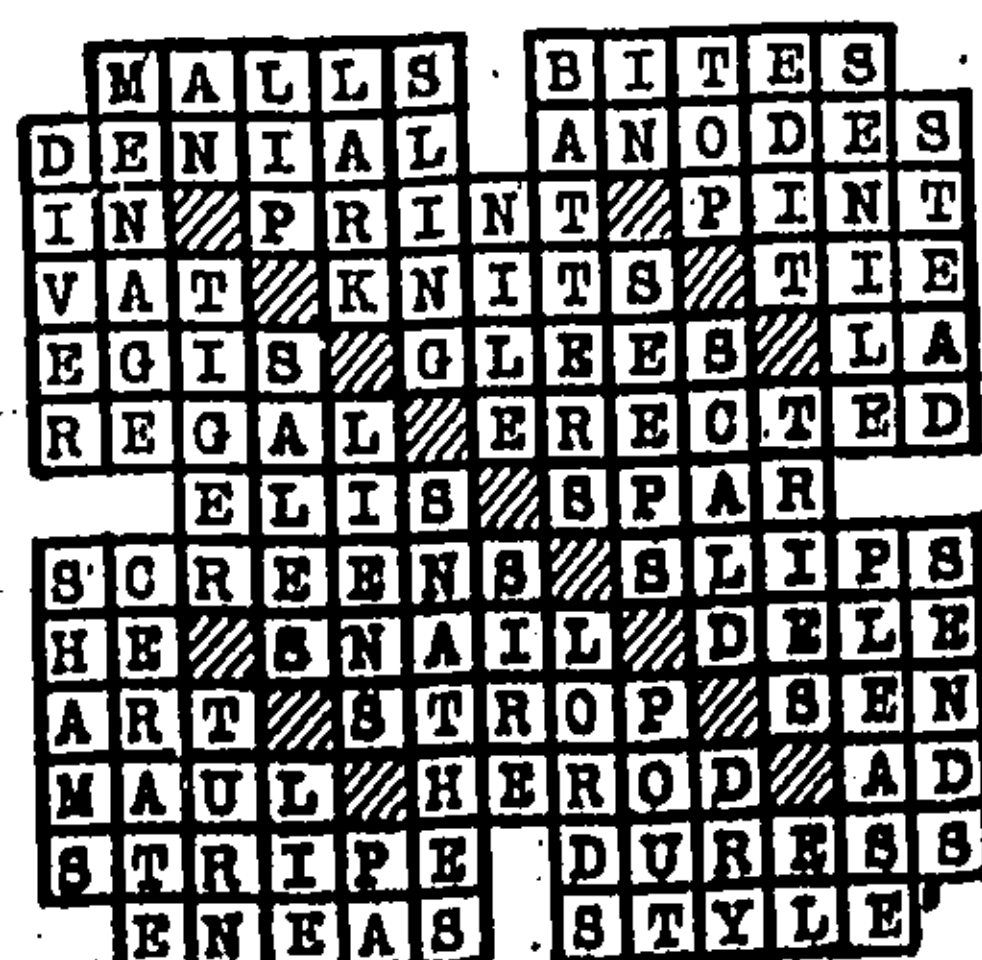
VERTICAL

- 46 Article
- 47 Treats tenderly
- 49 Preposition
- 50 Ostentation
- 52 Extolled
- 54 Puff up
- 55 Equals

- 1 Hamper
- 2 Nocturnal mammals
- 3 King of Bashan
- 4 Sailor (coll.)
- 5 Winter vehicle
- 6 Inner bark of trees

- 7 Goddess of mischief
- 8 French article
- 9 Penetrates
- 10 Restrict
- 12 Always
- 13 Sets in type
- 16 Australian birds
- 19 Passed around
- 21 Trifled
- 23 Fear
- 25 Peeled
- 27 Obese
- 29 Knock
- 31 Dwell
- 33 Pertaining to backbone
- 34 Grit
- 36 More tense
- 37 Contour
- 39 Ravine
- 41 Crosses
- 43 Mine vein
- 44 Harvest
- 47 Domestic animal
- 48 Supplicate
- 51 Sun god
- 53 Prefix: down

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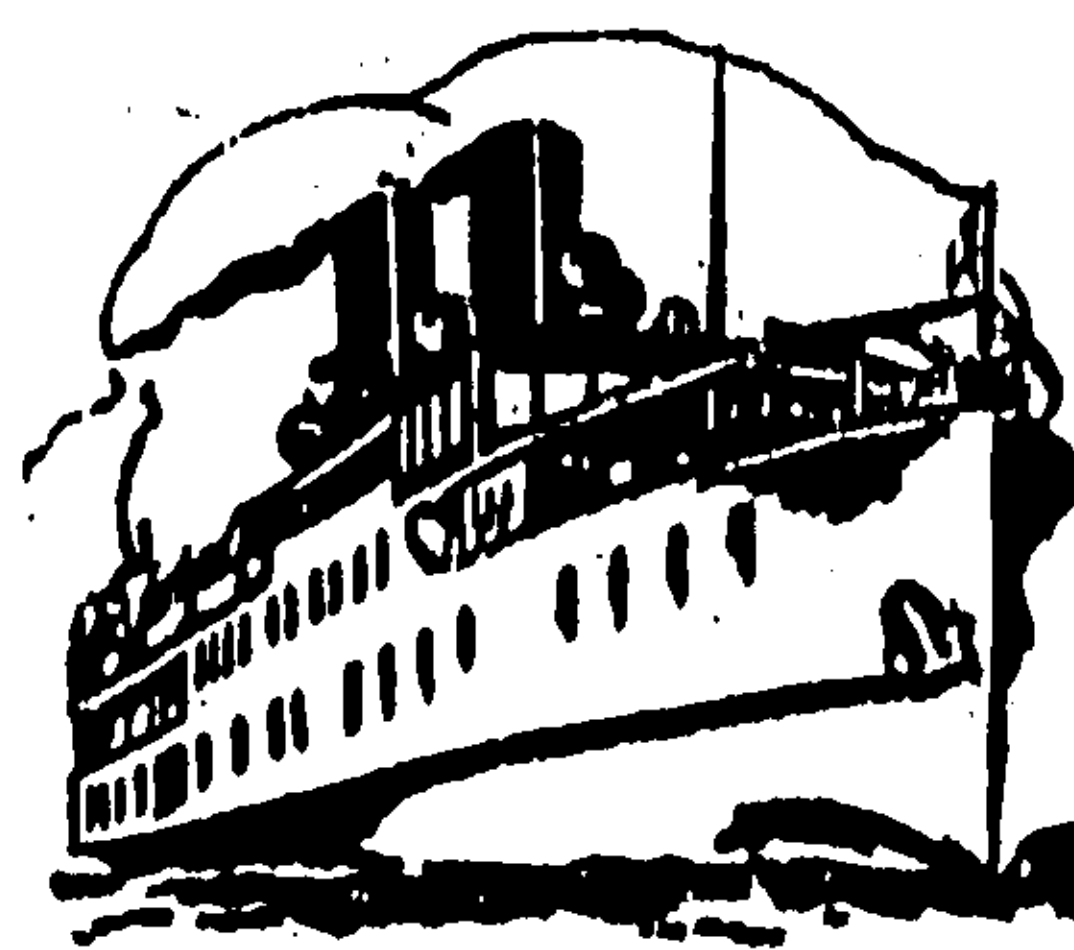
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WHATMAN'S HALF-CENTURY

The Royal Signal Corps beat the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by seven wickets in a friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Pte. Boocock hit six fours in his 41 and Capt. Whatman six in his 50.

L/Cpl. Murphy was in splendid form with the ball to take 9 for 29.

R.A.O.C.

S/Sgt. Gardner, run out	0
Pte. Boocock, b Murphy	41
Cpl. Aslett, c Bedford, b Murphy	0
Sgt. Emberson, lbw., b Murphy	4
S/Sgt. Gill, b Murphy	1
Cpl. Munton, b Murphy	33
S/Cdr. Buckle, c Love, b Murphy	0
Capt. Bridge, b Murphy	3
Capt. Tracy, not out	1
Sgt. Wadler, c Lithauer, b Murphy	0
Pte. Phillips, lbw., b Murphy	4
Extras (W1, NBI)	2

Total 80

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Murphy	8	1	29	9
Brakenberry	3	0	20	0
Pitcher	2	0	20	0
Tomlinson	2	0	15	0

SIGNALS

Sig. Willis, b Boocock	8
L/Cpl. Bedford, b Buckle	0
Capt. Whatman, not out	50
L/Cpl. Murphy, c Phillips, b Buckle	0
L/Cpl. Tomlinson, run out	34
Sgt. Brakenberry, st., b Gardner	1
Sgt. Lithauer, lbw., b Buckle	0
Cpl. Copsey, c and b Buckle	1
L/Cpl. Pitcher, c Phillips, b Buckle	15
Sig. Love, c Boocock, b Buckle	2
Sig. Hutchinson, not out	4
Extras (B4, W2)	6

Total (for 9 wks.) 121

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Boocock	8	2	11	1
Buckle	10.5	0	57	6
Phillips	2	0	20	0
Emberson	3	0	17	0
Gardner	2	0	10	1

SERVICES FOOTBALL TEAM FOR SUNDAY

The following have been chosen to represent the United Services in the Annual Poppy Charity match against the Rest of the Colony on Sunday on the Club ground at 4 p.m.

Drake (Middlesex); Lawton (5th A.A.R.A.) and Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (Ordnance), Bright (Middlesex) and Wilkinson (Middlesex); Munro (Royal Scots), Gordon (Royal Scots), Hossack (Royal Scots), Thorburn (Royal Navy) and Middleton (Royal Navy).

Reserves:—Robinson (Royal Navy), Hendy (Royal Navy), Winstanley (5th A.A.R.A.) and Saw (Middlesex).

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

Spot silver was quoted at 23-7/16 and forward at 23-1/2.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02.

FALSE WEIGHT

Au Yeung-tim, of the Shul Yick Compradore Shop, No. 73, Des Voeux Road Central, was fined \$50 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for possession of a false 2-ozs. weight, being 12 per cent. against the purchaser.

JOCKEY CLUB CLASSIFICATIONS

The following alterations and additions to Classifications Lists, dated 20th June, 1939, have been released by Hong Kong Jockey Club:—

Australian Ponies:—A Great Time to B Class; and Baffin Bay to B C'ss.
China Ponies:—King Kong to B Class; Sunlight View to C Class; Arabian Cat to D Class; Bistre to D Class; Sunshine Susie to D Class; Diogenes to E Class; Gallant Marshal to E Class; Heddon to E Class; King's Envoy to E Class; National Anthem to E Class and Pall Mall to E Class.

70,000 VOLUNTEERS FOR ARMY

London, To-day.
Between 70,000 and 80,000 men have enlisted voluntarily in classes for which recruiting has been opened, stated Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary for War, in the House of Commons yesterday.—Reuter.

HITLER AGAIN IN WAR COUNCIL

London, To-day.
Hitler yesterday conferred with his war chiefs, Field Marshal Goering, General Brauchitsch and General Keitel, according to Rome Radio.—Reuter.

C-ARP-ING CRITIC?

Mr. J. J. Tape, of Jardine, Matheson Company, while driving yesterday, collided with an A. R. P. respirator Application form box at No. 7 Police Station. Both box and car were slightly damaged.

STABBED IN BACK

Stabbed in the back by an unknown person last night in Gloucester Road, Wong Kuen, 28, residing at No. 22, Johnston Road, Wanchai, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital. The police are investigating.

Suffering from serious scalds on face and chest, a 12-month-old baby girl, Lai Ngai, residing with her parents at No. 247, Hollywood Road, was admitted last night to the Queen Mary Hospital.

A dog belonging to Major J. E. Swyer, of No. 519, The Peak, bit a postman yesterday.
The man was treated at Queen Mary Hospital.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions from The Liquidators to sell by Public Auction on

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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

NO. 71—THE BRAVO CASE

BY VINCENT TOWNE

Florence Ricardo, a wealthy, fascinating widow, still in her twenties lived at Balham, on the outskirts of London. Among her suitors was a young Oxford graduate, Charles Bravo, a handsome, clever, promising barrister, the only son of a wealthy mother. Bravo proposed to the charming widow but before she would agree to accept him she subjected herself to a painful humiliation exacted on her by a paid companion—Mrs. Cox—dwelling in her house.

Mrs. Cox wielded an uncanny influence over the young widow, a power which had induced Mrs. Ricardo to confess to her a secret liaison which, since her husband's death, she had had with Doctor Gulley, an eminent physician over 60 years of age. And when Bravo asked the widow to marry him, Mrs. Cox persuaded her to confess this intrigue to her suitor. It was to Bravo's credit that he readily forgave his tearful sweetheart, promising, upon his own initiative, never to refer to that chapter of her otherwise innocent life. So the couple were married, and Mrs. Cox continued to live with them.

The Bravos now had every prospect for happiness and prosperity. They were both blessed with youth, healthy, wealth, cleverness and a passionate love for each other. But, no sooner had they settled down than the husband became seized with an insane jealousy of his wife's past. Repeatedly he fell into fits of brooding, followed by periods when he would taunt her with that period of her life which he had solemnly agreed never to mention. Again and again she assured him of her constancy to him, which he never doubted, but the more his love for her grew the greater his jealousy developed.

One morning, after they had been married about six months, Mrs. Bravo drove her husband to his office in London, and during the drive he reopened the painful subject of her former adventure. Seeing that he had caused her to weep, he became remorseful, begging her to kiss him, which at first she refused to do. But presently she yielded, and they had a happy reconciliation.

In London that day Bravo had lunch with a friend, who thought him in the best of health and spirits. Returning home early, he went for a horseback ride, and his mount bolted with him and shook him up; but he dressed for dinner, as did his wife and her companion, and the three sat down to an unusually pleasant meal. The Bravos retired early to their adjoining rooms, and after the wife had fallen asleep her companion from another part of the house heard Bravo call to his wife: "Florence! Florence! Hot water!"

Mrs. Cox found Bravo in great agony and Mrs. Bravo still asleep in her room. She awakened the wife, who immediately came to her husband's assistance. The sick man lay stretched upon the floor and to his bride he muttered that he was in great agony. She immediately sent for physicians, and after three had arrived she sent in to London for a fourth, the noted consultant, Sir William Gull.

Obtaining from Bravo a confession that he had taken laudanum for neuralgia of the lower jaw, Sir William accused the sick man of having taken some stronger drug, but he only muttered: "I swear I have only taken laudanum and I can tell you nothing more."

Throughout his suffering he treated his wife with the tenderest affection and called for her whenever she went out of his sight. His behavior toward Mrs. Cox was kindly, and his entire attitude was that of a man unaware of the source of his sufferings. After 30 hours of agony, he died, and the post-mortem proved that he had been poisoned, not by laudanum, but by 40 grains of antimony or tartar emetic.



BRAVO LAY STRETCHED UPON THE FLOOR.

After the coroner's jury had returned an open verdict that left the mystery unsolved, some of Bravo's friends petitioned the Government for a special inquiry. This second inquest lasted 23 days, and cost an enormous sum, spent, not only by the Crown but by the respective families of Mr. and Mrs. Bravo.

Forty-three witnesses were examined and the dead man's solicitor offered a reward of 500 pounds for

information showing where the antimony had been obtained.

Some of the most famous legal minds in Great Britain represented the two families, and so important was the case that the Government sent the Attorney General to cross-examine the witnesses.

The sensation of the hearing was sprung by Mrs. Cox, who stated that the dying man confessed to her, "I have taken poison for Doctor Gulley

(Mrs. Bravo's former cavalier). Don't tell Florence!"

The verdict of the jury, which remained out two and a half hours, was: "We find that Mr. Charles De-laune Turner Bravo did not commit suicide; that he did not meet his death by misadventure; that he was wilfully murdered by the administration of tartar emetic, but that there is not sufficient evidence to fix the guilt upon any person or persons."

No one was ever tried for Bravo's mysterious death. The fact that aged Doctor Gulley's wife was still living seemed to dispose of any motive that Mrs. Bravo might have had for disposing of her husband. After the verdict the police offered a large reward for evidence leading to the conviction of the murderer, but no further light was ever thrown upon the case, which so sorely distressed Mrs. Bravo that she went into a decline, suffering a painful death within a year after her husband's demise.

DOCTOR ROBBED

Dr. Basil Thompson's residence, No. 33, Jordan Road (ground floor), was entered yesterday between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. and a typewriter and clothing to the value of \$403, was stolen.

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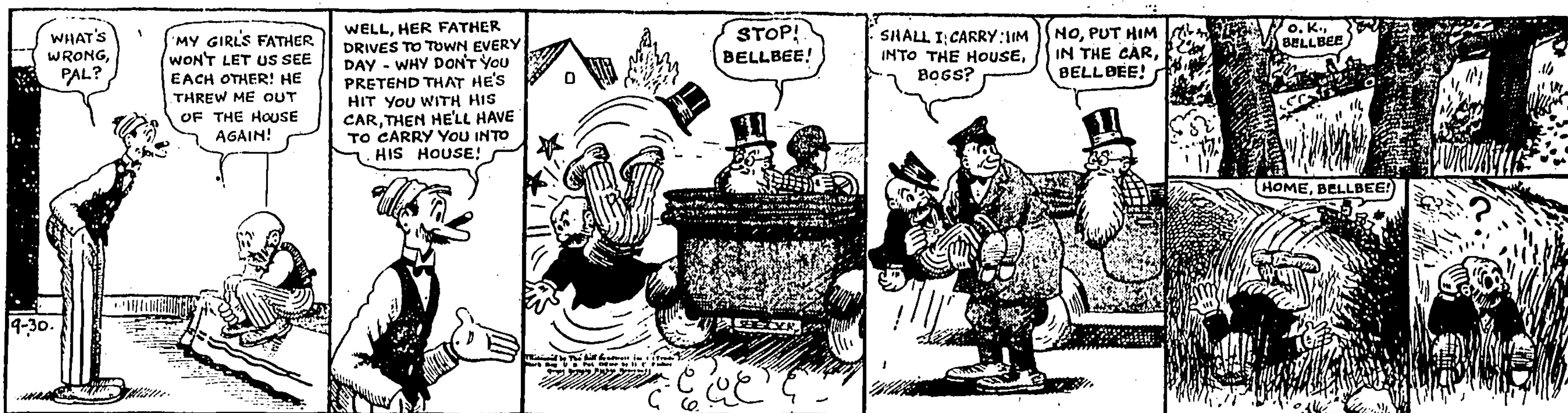
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2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—A Variety programme with Max Miller, Moreton & Kaye, Hildegarde, the Hill Billies & Others.

Vocal—Susanna From Alabama; The Hill Billy Band... The Hill Billies with Novelty Accompaniment.

Two Planos—Quickstep Medley. Intro: After I say I'm Sorry; At Sundown; Fate: Exactly like you; On the sunny side of the Street; Happy Days and Lonely Nights... Ivor Moreton & Dave Kaye with string bass and drums.

Vocal—Fritz (Intro: "The Village Band")... Hildegarde at the Piano.

Comedian—Julietta (Harrington & Others); The Love Bug Will Bite You (Tomlin)... Max Miller.

Vocal—Bully Williams' Songs. Intro: Here we are Again; Why can't we have the sea in London?... Lupino Lane & His Lambeth Walkers with Orchestra.

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Vocal—The Man On The Flying Trapeze (Walter O'Keefe)... Walter O'Keefe Orchestra.

Vocal—Darling, Je Vous Aime Beaucoup (Sosenko); For Me, For You (Towers & Arden)... Hildegarde with Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

Vocal—Daddy's Old Guitar (The Hill Billies); Cross-Eyed Sue (The Hill Billies)... The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment.

6.58 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—"For the Troops". A Concert Party Entertainment.

7.20 p.m.—Dance Music.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.01 p.m.—London Relay—Talk by Viscount Halifax.

8.15 p.m.—Studio—Farewell Recital by Eva Turner (Soprano), with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

1. (a) O Yes Just So (Bach); (b) Over the Mountains (arr. Roger Quilter); (c) Standchen (Richard Strauss); (d) Young love lies sleeping (Somervell); (e) The Plague of love (Arne)... Eva Turner.

2. Piano Interlude... A. T. Lay.

3. (a) A Brown Bird Singing (Haydn Wood); (b) One morning Oh so early (Diack); (c) Miniature Suite (Hurlstone); (d) Bells, (ii) Blossoms, (iii) Dreams, (iv) Darkness, (v) Morning.

...Eva Turner.

8.45 p.m.—Compositions of Sir Edward German.

Merrie England—Dances... Orchestre Raymond cond. by G. Walter.

Four Jolly Sailors (from "The Princess of Kensington")... Quartette: Francis Russell, Parry Jones; Raymond Newell and Harry Dearth with Piano.

O Peaceful England (from "Merrie England")... Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra.

A Princess of Kensington—Selection... The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Capt. George Miller.

9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Current Events.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—Beethoven—Sonata in F Sharp Major, Op. 78. Egon Petri (Piano).

9.40 p.m.—Schumann Songs.

9.55 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 9 in D Minor, Op. 125 ("Choral"). Felix Weingartner and Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Matters of Moment".

11.15 p.m.—Close down.

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Neither side vulnerable

♠ J 10
♥ 5 3
♦ A 8 7 5 4 3
♣ A K 4

♠ K Q 7 6
♥ A Q 2
♦ 9 6
♣ Q 10 5 3

♠ A 8 3
♥ 10 9 8 7 6
♦ K Q J
♣ 7 2

Mr. Crawford

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
1♠	1♦	Pass	1♥
1♠	2♦	2♠	2NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass

The King of spades was opened. Mr. Crawford promptly won with the Ace, and cashed six diamonds and two clubs, thereby making his contract.

While the hand was of course a laydown, Mr. Crawford was the only player to get to game with the North-South cards. However, he reasoned as follows: "My partner has not only overcalled with a minor suit, but has promptly rebid it without holding the King, Queen or Jack. According, he has at least a six-card suit, which gives us six diamond tricks. My Ace of

spades is seven. If he has one side trick, I can make two notrump; if he has two side tricks, I can make three. Of course my opponent has bid clubs and I have no stopper in that suit. But clubs have never been rebid and my partner can probably take care of it somehow. Anyway, I expect a spade opening."

That is the reasoning; the result, already mentioned.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and held:

♠ x x
♥ x x x
♦ A x x
♣ K Q x x x

The bidding:

Jacoby	Maier	You	Schenken
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Your correct bid is pass. Since your partner has made only a minimum rebid you should not continue further.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for two notrump (optimistic), 0 for three spades.

QUESTION NO. 252

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

♠ A 8 5
♥ K 9 7
♦ 7 8 4 3
♣ Q J 8

The bidding:

Maier	Schenken	You	Burnstone
1♠	Pass	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

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TO-DAY'S RUGBY

Two of the Club first fifteen are turning out for the "A" team in their game against Royal Engineers on the Club ground at 5 p.m. to-day. If the list sent in is in correct order, Walkden, Club skipper, is to play at full-back—he is normally a front row forward—and Needham, second row forward will be at centre threequarter. Sappers have a useful side and an even one should result.

The following is the Club team this evening:—A. F. Walkden, H. van Leeuwen, D. H. Hamilton, M. G. Caruthers, C. F. Needham, A. H. R. Butcher. (Captain), R. Rutherford, J. Moodie, F. Burford, R. E. Heasman, J. Roscoe, E. W. Stout, B. O'M. Deane, P. F. Wanklyn and R. G. Castleton. Combined Services, who beat Club 6-3 last Saturday, are making one change this Saturday in their side—Pinkerton will replace Burrell in the second row of the pack—and it should make all the difference in the loose, Pinkerton being one of the best forwards in the Colony.

The combined Club and Police team is not yet to hand, but if they are all available, the following are likely to be on view: Wall (Police); Taylor (Police); Fay (Police); Bidwell (Club) and Stewart (Club); Cessford (Club)

and Henderson (Club); Walkden (Club); Salter (Club) and Wheeler (Police); Peers (Club) and Needham (Club); Taylor (Club); Morrison (Police) and Godfrey (Club).

The Army "A" team is likely to prove a little too good for what is left of the Navy team after the Services have taken seven players, but the game should provide a pointer as to Kay's worth to a losing team.

NAVY "A" TEAM

Following will represent Navy "A" v Army "A" on Saturday, at 3.15 p.m.:—Mr. Pascoe ("Lowestoft"); Surg-Lieut. Corcoran ("Tamar"); Flying Officer Wright (R.A.F.); Ldg. Wtr. Barlow ("Tamar") and Sub-Lieut. Kennedy (M.T.B.'s); A. B. Kay (C-in-C's Office) and Tel. Hall (M.T.B.'s); Ldg. Sig. Ingles ("Tamar"); Lieut. (E) Brown (M.T.B.'s); A. B. Palmer ("Thracian"); L. S. A. Yendall ("Lowestoft"); Ldg. Wtr. Ferris ("Tamar"); Lieut. Bayley ("Cicala"); Pay-Lieut. Charles (C-in-C's Office) and P. O. King ("Tamar"); Reserves—E. R. A. Wilson ("Redstart"); L. S. Spirit (M.T.B.'s); and Mno. Marvin ("Tamar").

A. E. P. Guest and S. A. Gray (—30.3) entered the final of the Kowloon Cricket Club men's doubles tennis handicap yesterday when they beat N. A. E. Mackay and T. A. Madar (—3/8) by 6-3, 6-3 in the semi-final.



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I.R.C. APPEAR TO BE IN
FOR A LEAN SEASON*J.L. Youngsaye Returns To Form; Fine Innings*C.B.S. BEAT CLUB
BY CANDLELIGHT!

(By "ADREM")

FROM WHAT LITTLE I saw of the I.R.C. team in their match with Recreio at King's Park on Saturday I should imagine they are in for a lean season.

True they were without three of the best players — A. R. Minu, K. Nazarin and A. R. Kitchell — and although these players should make a tremendous difference, there still appears to be a lack of fire that even their inclusion is not likely to compensate for.

Their batting on Saturday, with the exception of the Madar brothers, was pathetic. A. H. batted as he always does. Supremely confident from the first over he received, he never looked like getting out although the bowling was never loose. M. P. played all his strokes very correctly, his back defensive shots being particularly orthodox.

It was interesting to see the veteran, A. H. Rumjahn opening an innings again. Although he was playing cricket before most of the members of the team he was playing against were born, he still managed to stay there for quite a long time, standing up to the finest bowling combination in the Colony with great pluck.

It is clearly evident, however, that his eye is not as keen as of old and although his strokes were good enough when he was able to see the ball in time, for the most part he was late with them.

E. L. Gosano struck a length right away and was impressive but H. L. Ozorio, the other member of the firm, although he was swinging in considerably with the wind, appeared to me to be over-pitching rather too much.

Pereira bowled some very good ones and some equally bad ones but a little practice should soon get him into first-class shape.

SCORES AGAIN

There is very little doubt in my mind as to who Recreio's batting is going to depend upon in the course of the season. E. M. L. Soares, the left-hander, is right at the top of his form and has secured his runs thus far with regularity. He batted really well on Saturday although he played some horrible shots when trying to force the pace.

There was little else of note in the Recreio innings. G. N. Gosano was rather fortunate in scoring 25 retired and A. M. Rodrigues stayed there a long time without getting very much away.

There was one rather hectic period when the Recreio score was beginning to assume decent proportions. Eddie Gosano had bad luck in being run out by Ismail after the stumper had broken the wicket with his foot, and Soares suffered the same fate a few moments later when Madeen Arculli, fielding a ball on the far boundary, sent in a perfect baseball throw-in to run him out, ambling along for a second run.

Again, I understand, Ismail broke the

wicket illegally. I hasten to add, however, that I am not suggesting any "dirty" work as it was apparent that on both occasions Ismail was unaware of what he had done, and Recreio provided the umpires!

GOOD EFFORT

Although University were not as convincing against Craigengower on Saturday as they were the previous week against Recreio, they did pretty well to score 152 for 7 in reply to Craigengower's 184 for 5.

Most pleasing feature of this match was the return to form of J. L. Youngsaye. One of the keenest cricketers in the Colony, Youngsaye's recent seasons have been rather lean, owing, I think, to falling eyes. How bad he has been will be appreciated from his junior League record of two seasons ago when he had the dubious distinction of scoring about seven "blobs" in successive matches!

On Saturday he played a really valuable innings and I sincerely hope that this 48 will be the forerunner of many other equally valuable batting contributions.

Ernie Zimmern again batted well and is now performing as well as he has ever done, while A. J. Hulse made a very promising 28, which is certain to restore a lot of his old confidence.

R. Singh took a few wickets but at some expense, while the opinion of a competent critic with regard to Gegg is that he would be infinitely more effective if he took off that little bit of pace, which he appears to strain himself in getting, and concentrated more on length. He has much promise and would benefit by some coaching at this stage.

University were without their best bat, K. Y. Tam, but his place as opening batsman was very ably filled by Kenneth Lo, who played a really fine innings of 21; Tsui and K. S. Oh also got a few but extras was very nearly top-scorer with 33!

The return of "Tinker" Lee to the Valley side has definitely bucked the fielding up, and I am told that in this department there was every cause for satisfaction.

ALEC PEARCE'S FINE-KNOCK Club had out a particularly strong side against Navy, being assisted by several Civil Servants who would otherwise have been without a game, but were unable to force a win.

Navy's one chance of winning rested in the ability of their bowlers to dismiss Club cheaply. Alec Pearce got a century and so they were unable to.

Pearce took no early chances against a far from weak attack, which included two good left-handers, Wood and Barton, and was rather slow at the outset. On passing his 50, however, he opened up in no uncertain manner to hit no fewer than five sixes and 15 fours.

Tel. Coles met with a considerable amount of fortune in scoring 57 but this innings was invaluable as next highest score was 18. Navy do not boast many batsmen, or for that matter, cricketers at all, and I understand they never at any time expect to field more than one team in the League.

Central British School continue on their victorious way! They did extremely well to beat a really good Club junior side by 2 wickets, when it was "so late that the street-lamps were lit!"

Club batsmen were never able to get on top of the keen school attack backed up by some fine fielding and although a number of them secured double-figures, they could only manage 115.

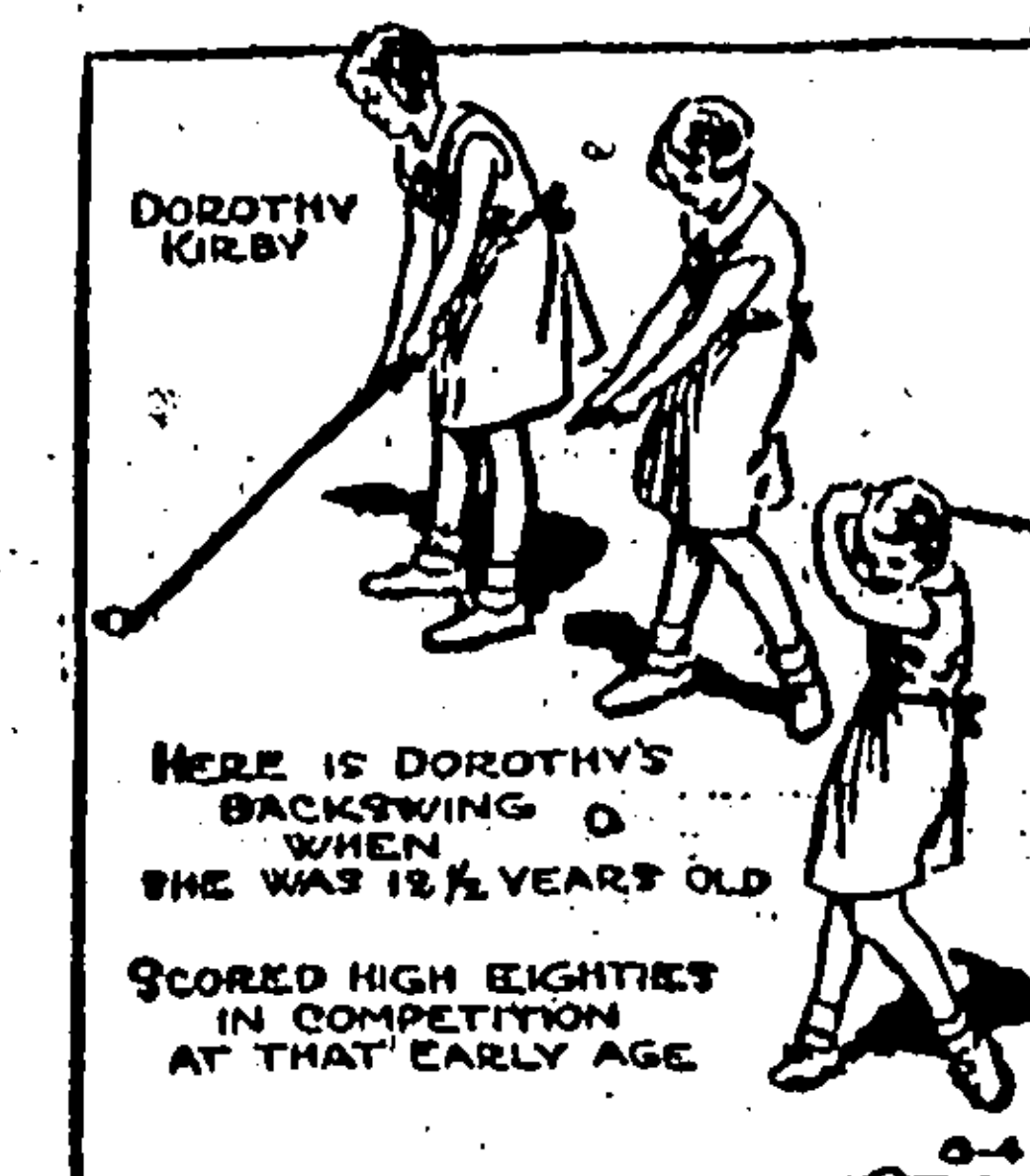
ANOTHER 50 FOR ODELL School batting was once again carried by A. M. Odell, who batted well after a shaky start to score yet another half-century but they had some anxious moments near the end when, despite the fast-gathering darkness, Club sportingly carried on. Huxley and Moffan stayed together and hit off the necessary runs.

I am told that some exceptionally brilliant wicket-keeping by John Potter nearly carried the day for Club. He stumped Pryde and N. L. Smith very neatly and caught P. A. Weller, the school's best bat.

Other matches were rather scratch affairs.

AN EARLY START

GRAPHIC GOLF



BY BEST BALL

Like another Atlantan who showed unusual golf ability at an early age, Dorothy Kirby above is rapidly coming into a game that promises championship calibre. Bobby Jones was only six or thereabouts when he started swinging a club that was nearly as large as he was. Miss Kirby started as a young girl, as a matter of fact she is still a young miss, for this illustration portrays her swing at twelve years. Scores in the eighties were the rule rather than the exception at that time with her slight physique.

Naturally any length Miss Kirby achieved was due to perfect swinging rather than physical strength. In the various poses above she shows a backswing that any golfer would be proud to possess. Relaxed at address, knees slightly bent she takes the club straight back from the ball, her body turning with the stroke. At the top, the clubhead has dipped a bit below the horizontal and she is perfectly balanced for the downswing. This wide swinging arc gives her considerable length in which to create down-stroke momentum.

Friday.—Open Championships Eluded Smith.

K.C.C. had an intra-club game in which the First Team did not have matters all their own way against The Rest of the Club. Gray batted well for The Rest, punishing anything loose with great severity and Hall and Baldwin both got a few.

Donald Anderson, after a lean period, at last found his form and batted beautifully for 72 but there was nothing much of note in the remainder of the innings, quick runs being rated higher than skilful innings. Baxter, feeling unwell, retired when he had scored 5.

I notice that although F. J. Lay does not figure in the batting list of the Rest he had three stumpings to his credit!

ABBAS HAS GOOD DAY

M. R. Abbas had a good day for I.R.C. seconds against Recreio seconds, taking 4 for 30 and making 31. Recreio, however, won by 31 runs. It was a match typical of these teams, double-figure scores being the exception rather than the rule.

Just by way of a change, Police batsmen had a good afternoon and made 203 for 6 dec. Carey scored 37 in his usual rapid manner, Loughlin batted correctly for 69 and Pope made 38.

Craigengower, however, thanks to 33 by Joe Leonard and 20 by A. Hung, just managed to play out time.

C.C.C. CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams have been selected to represent Craigengower Cricket Club on Saturday, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

1st XI (v. I.R.C., Home):—E. Zimmern (Capt.), P. J. Billimoria, A. R. H. Esmail, A. B. Hamson, W. Hong Sling, A. J. Hulse, A. K. Ismail, H. P. Lim, G. Souza, J. L. Youngsaye and F. R. Zimmern. Scorer—H. W. Randall; Umpire—G. Ladd.

2nd XI (v. I.R.C. Away):—B. R. Iranes (Capt.), N. Broadbridge, A. H. Esmail, U. H. Esmail, A. Hung, C. W. Lam, J. W. Leonard, T. Lock, A. K. Omar, W. K. Way and G. Winch. Scorer—W. Broadbridge.

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AN EXTREMELY BAD DAY FOR PUNTERS

(By "RAPIER")

SENSATIONAL UPSETS featured the Tenth Extra Race Meeting at the Valley on Saturday, a notable one being the victory of Mr. L. Dunbar's Baffin Bay, a rank outsider, in the Fremantle St. Leger.

It defeated the favourite, Triumphant Day, and was instrumental in paying out the second biggest dividend of the year—\$410.30. — Mr. Johnnie Hearne, the jockey, riding a brilliant race.

Riding honours among the jockeys were shared by Messrs. S. L. Sung and L. B. Chao, each with two winners—the latter also had a third place. Marber Stable headed the list of most

successful owners with two wins.

The Cash Sweeps were well supported and returns generally were exceptionally good. In the first race five of the best of this

year's subscription griffins faced the starter in the Sub. Griffins St. Leger, over 1½ miles. King Kong's win was very popularly recorded, and in carrying off this important event it must now be regarded as the best of this year's subscription griffins.

Mr. Liang sent Musketeer into the lead with Celtic Star (Mr. Encarnacao), King Kong and the other two following. After completing the first mile, Musketeer was still leading by many lengths, but on nearing the half-mile post Mr. Chao sent King Kong forward to pass Celtic Star and gradually overhauled Musketeer, which it passed in the final run home to win with plenty to spare. Musketeer was also overhauled by Celtic Star, which came second.

THE FIRST UPSET!

The Sussex Handicap (First Section) for "B" Class China ponies over six furlongs resulted in the first upset of the day, Lilliber (Mr. Sung), which failed so badly at the last meeting, scoring a fine win.

In the absence of Rose Emily, Avon (Mr. Black) was made favourite, with Humdrum Eve (Mr. Pih) next in demand. A fast pace was set, Humdrum Eve attempting to secure a big lead. Jennifer (Mr. Proulx) was in close attendance until the last quarter, when it gave up the fight.

Coming into the straight, Avon came up

on the outside to challenge Humdrum Eve, but while these two ponies were fighting out the finish, Lilliber came through between them and won the race by half a length. Humdrum Eve was second and Avon third.

Biggest dividend of the day was paid by Baffin Bay, cleverly ridden by Mr. Hearne, in the Fremantle St. Leger confined to Australian Subscription ponies of this season.

Triumphant Day monopolised the betting to the extent of 1217 tickets in the win booth. It certainly looked a picture of fitness, but could only manage second place.

Cockleford (Mr. Neada) took the lead, followed by A Roaring Time (Mr. Encarnacao). On reaching the football stands, Devonian (Mr. Black) was in front and remained there until the football stands were passed for the second time; Cockleford was just behind.

LACKED STAYING POWER

Cockleford led at the Rock, followed by Devonian, Triumphant Day and Winfred. The first two ponies, however, lacked staying power and were overhauled before the two mile post by Triumphant Day, with Winfred (Mr. Pih) a length behind on the outside.

The race appeared to be between these two ponies, but, to the surprise of all, Baffin Bay (Mr. Hearne), which had not been in the picture hitherto, shot out from the field, near the mile post, and came through on the rails with a great burst of speed to overhaul the leaders and win by two lengths. Winfred was third.

A great race won by a great-hearted pony. The fourth race, the Paddock Handicap, which was contested by novice jockeys, on "E" class China ponies, resulted in yet another upset.

Mr. H. M. Botelho, the most experienced jockey, was on Lucky Eleven and carried the bulk of the money.

Heddon (Mr. Trevorton) and Palmer (Mr. Haymes) made the running, with Lucky Eleven and the others a few lengths behind. On coming into the straight, however, Geordie (Mr. R. M. Wood) asserted itself magnificently and romped home by a length. Sunshine Susie (Mr. Chiu Ki Fan) was second, with Arabian Cat (Mr. Eyre) third.

ANOTHER FAVOURITE DISAPPOINTS

The Norfolk Handicap (First Section), which was the first leg of the "Daily Double", resulted in the downfall of another favourite, Sunlight View (Mr. Pih) being strongly supported, but finishing second. Evidently the heavy weight of 168 lbs. was too great a handicap.

Zero (Mr. Trevorton) took the lead, followed closely by Estover (Mr. Tang) with Sunlight View a couple of lengths in the rear.

On rounding the bend Estover overtook Zero and Sunlight View came up strongly and, despite a spirited challenge by Mr. Pih on Sunlight View, Estover won by half a length, with Gold Coin third, two lengths behind.

Best finish of the afternoon was seen in the Sussex Handicap (Second Section) for "B" Class China ponies, in which Oak Bay, the favourite, was unplaced.

Oak Bay (Mr. Proulx), as usual, took an immediate lead, followed by Jobber (Mr. Sung) and Potentate (Mr. Encarnacao).

On rounding the bend Mr. Proulx urged Oak Bay on to a still more substantial lead, which made it look a certain winner. To the consternation of the crowd, however, it was overhauled near the post by Mr. Sung who had begun to apply his whip to Jobber. Meanwhile, Peaceful View (Mr. Pih) burst through on the outside to dead-heat with Jobber for first place. Lancashire Lass (Mr. Chao) was a neck behind and finished very strongly.

In the second leg of the "Daily Double", the Norfolk Handicap (Second Section) for "D" Class China ponies, backers had another rude shock, as Smiling Time (Mr. Encarnacao), a hot favourite, finished nowhere.

IF HE HAD WON!

Mr. L. B. Chao revealed sound judgment when he brought in The Leopard to win, and Mr. Y. T. Fung surprised punters by bringing Lancashire Lass into second place to pay \$172.30.

If he had won, the "Double" pool, amounting to \$7,474, would have had to be carried over to the next meeting. No one backed it!

Bressay (Mr. Hearne), which was third, finished very strongly, and had it not started badly the result might have been different.

The Leopard's win paid each of its 26 fortunate backers in the "Double" \$287.40.

In the last race of the day, the Queensland Handicap for "C" Class Australian ponies, from the 1½ mile post, Bredon, ridden by Mr. B. A. Proulx, was a big disappointment. Heavily backed, it was unplaced.

Tarzan (Mr. Hoo Pak Ming), a novice rider, took an early lead, but not able to maintain the pace, it faded out of the picture after rounding the bend.

It was here that Bredon asserted itself, and although Mr. Proulx made a great effort to win Bredon found the burden of 165 lbs. a little too severe.

In the meantime, Mr. W. H. S. Davis gave us a glimpse of his old riding form on Australian ponies by bringing Baffin Bay to a popular win by a neck.

Mr. Encarnacao did exceptionally well to come in second on A Great Time, which carried a weight of 165 lbs. Violet Queen (Mr. B. A. Proulx) was third.



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ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
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Hong Kong, 7th Nov., 1939.

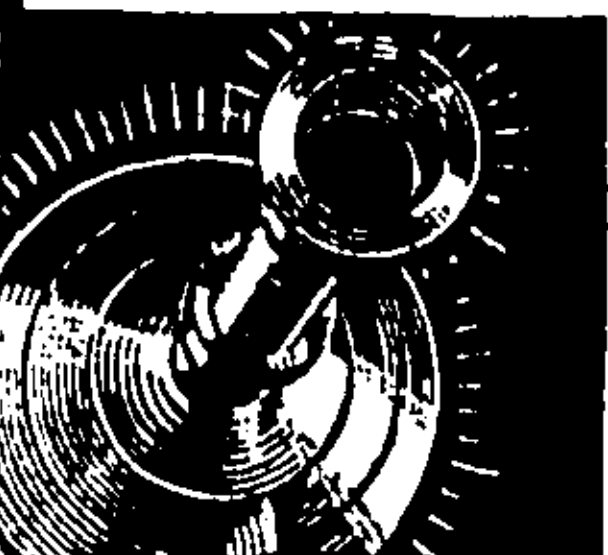
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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the ELEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 18th November, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

THE GENEVA correspondent of the "Petit Parisien" quotes a reliable source as authority for a statement that the German-Soviet Agreement was actually concluded as long ago as 1937, secretly. According to this report, the agreement provided that the Soviet should refuse all support whatever to the Democracies, give up the alliance with France, and to remain strictly neutral in the event of Germany fighting any of her neighbours.

The fifth clause provided for the signature, at some future date, of a pact of non-aggression, Germany

undertaking to facilitate as far as possible a rapprochement between Russia and Japan.

Points six and seven dealt with economic co-operation between Moscow and Berlin.

VOROSHILOV REVEALED

The "Petit Parisien" adds that Stalin fully approved of this programme, while, on the other hand, Hitler wished to overthrow Stalin and suggested to Marshal Tukhachevski that he should overthrow the Communists and establish a purely military government.

Voroshilov was expected to head this government, but later denounced the plotters provoking the purge of 1937.

The journal declares the source of this information to be reliable, and publishes it as dispelling the mystery surrounding the causes of the widespread massacre of the officers of the Red Army. — Havas.

GERMAN PLANES FIRED ON

London, To-day.

Heavy gunfire was heard in Luxemburg yesterday and there was considerable air activity. Planes flew over Luxemburg in the course of the morning.

It is also reported, from Brussels, that Belgian anti-aircraft guns were in action yesterday against German planes flying in the region of Liege, Malines and Brussels. — Reuter.

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Owing to bad weather the German prize crew were forced to take the ship into Swedish territorial waters. — Reuter.

SCULPTOR PASSES

Kunming, To-day.

Mr. Kiang Siao-chien, well-known Chinese sculptor, passed away in Kunming yesterday morning. — Central News.

Chungking, To-day.

Official reports received here state that M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, will depart from Shanghai to-morrow for Chungking. He will travel via Hong Kong. — Our Own Correspondent.

Mr. E. Sharp, of No. 260, Prince Edward Road, has reported that some person entered his residence and stole a lady's wrist-watch, valued \$50.

COMINTERN TAKES NEW LINE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

AN INTERESTING EVOLUTION IS SHOWN BY AN ARTICLE IN THE "INTERNATIONAL REVIEW" UNDER THE SIGNATURE OF GEORGE DIMITROV, ONE OF THE ACCUSED IN THE REICHSTAG FIRE TRIAL AND AT PRESENT GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE COMINTERN.

For the first time "French Imperialists" are mentioned as "resolute supporters of the prolongation and propagation of war," while the United States is taken to task and is accused of a "hypocritical neutral policy, stirring up fire in the Far East to weaken China and Japan and then to dictate conditions to the belligerents and strengthen the American position in China."

The article concludes with an appeal to the world's workers to fight for Communist aims in the present war. — Havas.

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Lady Northcote has received the following telegram from Viscount Goschen: "Have just received first donation ten thousand pounds to Red Cross and St. John War Organisation. Please express our deep appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the public of Hong Kong for this splendid support. Writing."

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day. Japanese marines, attempting a landing south of Yanchow, on the south-western coast of Kwangtung, were repulsed yesterday, according to messages received this morning. The Chinese defenders sank five boats. — Our Own Correspondent.

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